



Meridian Public Schools

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Mission Statement:

Meridian Public Schools will educate all students in a safe, nurturing environment while challenging them to develop their integrity, knowledge, and unique talents to become responsible, productive citizens.

Newsletter

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May, 2023

Newsletter - May, 2023
Superintendent
Randy Kort

**Board of Education
Meridian Public Schools
District - 48-0303
Daykin, Nebraska, 68338
Monday, April 17, 2023**

Regular April 17, 2023 Meeting

Meridian Public School Board of Education met on April 17, 2023, as per notice in the Fairbury Journal-News.

President Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. The open meeting law information was presented.

Roll call was taken: Barton - present, Niederklein - present, Sobotka - present, Rut - present, Scheer - present, and Bartels - present. Also present were Superintendent Kort and Ms. Drees.

Nothing new was added to the agenda.

No comments were heard from the public.

Scheer moved and Barton seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Minutes of the Monday, March 20, 2023 Regular Meeting
- B. District Financial Report
- C. Activity Fund Report
- D. Hot Lunch Fund Report
- E. Bills

Vote taken: Barton - aye, Niederklein - aye, Sobotka - aye, Rut - aye, Scheer - aye, and Bartels - aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Ms. Drees presented the Principal's Report to the Board.

Superintendent Kort presented the Curriculum Report to the Board.

Bailey Holtmeier and Kailyn Paul updated the School Board on the upcoming senior trip planned for May 11, 2023.

Sobotka moved and Niederklein seconded to approve a 4% wage

increase for non-certified staff with full single health insurance coverage. Vote taken: Barton - aye, Niederklein - aye, Sobotka - aye, Rut - aye, Scheer - aye, and Bartels - aye. Motion passed 6-0.

The Americanism Committee met prior to the Board Meeting. Mr. Kort and the committee gave an update.

Rut moved and Scheer seconded to approve the hire of Noah Temme as the Social Studies teacher. Vote taken: Barton - aye, Niederklein - aye, Sobotka - aye, Rut - aye, Scheer - aye, and Bartels - aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Superintendent Kort presented the Superintendent's Report to the Board.

The next regular meeting was set for Monday, May 15, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Scheer moved and Niederklein seconded to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Vote taken: Barton - aye, Niederklein - aye, Sobotka - aye, Rut - aye, Scheer - aye, and Bartels - aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Jamie Niederklein,

Secretary Meridian District #48-0303

"The Dish" with Drees

Happy Spring!! The energy is starting to pick up in the classrooms. Hallways are lined with softball and baseball equipment for afternoon practices. The excitement for the end of the year is building, and we have many things planned to help us celebrate the year. Here are a few important dates.

- Awards Night - May 5
- Coffeehouse Concert - May 8
- Elementary Track Meet - May 12
- Graduation - May 13
- Last Day of School (1:30 Dismissal) - May 18

We have made it to MAY !!!!

As you are reading this, our seniors and their parents are scrambling to get everything ready and organized for graduation, which takes place on May 13. It is a great feeling and experience to visit with our seniors and ask about their plans, dreams, and goals for life. I feel the experiences here at Meridian have prepared everyone for a successful future.

Please continue to check on your child and their grades and assignments as there are a lot of activities and events while we conclude the school year and we want to make sure everyone is on a successful path to the conclusion of the academic year.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Meridian Public Schools will be organizing Summer School schedules and contacting parents whose child(ren) were identified as benefiting from extra summer support.

BUSING INFORMATION

Thank You for returning the Bus Information Update page for the 2023-2024 school year. We will be reviewing the information and sending out bus routes in early August. If you have any questions concerning the bus routes please call.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The start date for students next year will be August 18. Fridays we will have a 3:10 dismissal for students.





As we look forward to these things, we want to remember the reasons we have to celebrate. It was a busy school year filled with learning and activities. Let's finish the last month of the school year stronger than we started. The students have come a long way, and they can take this year's learning and success and continue that in their summer activities. Make sure to relax and refresh a little and take time to enjoy the break.



Another great year is coming to an end. We made a full year in school, which has been exciting. As the summer quickly approaches, please know that you can email me any time with questions and I will get back to you as quickly as I am able. I hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer.

Senior Information:

Seniors have submitted an exit survey. This survey gives us a way to contact them after graduation in addition to knowing where to send final transcripts, and it also gives us a list of scholarships so we can recognize their accomplishments via Facebook, Twitter, and the school website. I will continue to update the senior spotlight video as I know about more scholarships. If your senior receives additional scholarships, please have them email me or let me know so I can be sure to announce it at graduation.

Seniors Who Took College Credit Courses:

Seniors must request an official transcript from Peru State College or Southeast Community College (depending on where classes were taken) - this includes any dual credit courses taken during high school. Transcript request forms are available online at the college websites. This should be done prior to college registration, so students can have their dual credits transferred to the college they plan to attend. If you need help, please let me know and I can help.

THANK YOU NOTES!

Seniors, remember to send thank you notes to providers of any scholarship received. Meridian is very fortunate to have many generous donors to help our students get a good start in college, so

please do not forget to thank them for their support of our Meridian students.

2023-2024 Schedules:

Current 7-11th graders will soon be finalizing their class schedule for next year. Sometime this summer a schedule will be mailed home so you can see what your student has signed up for. Parents, please take a moment to look over these papers with your child.

Seniors...borrow wisely for college!

Review these tips before you decide how much to borrow in student loans:

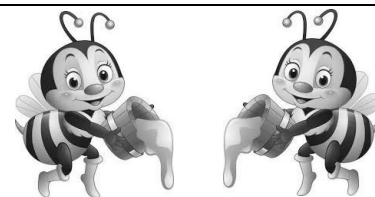
- Borrow only what you need, even if it's less than the amount offered in your award letter.
• Try to use your student loan money only for tuition, room and board, books, and fees. Get a part-time job during college to pay other expenses.
• Apply for financial aid each year you attend college by completing the FAFSA.
• Continue to look for scholarships while you're in college.

Juniors... here's your summer to-do list

- Narrow your college choices to three or four by the time school starts. Visit some college campuses this summer and check out college websites. I have sent out a list of virtual college tours via email to all juniors. Check these out!
• Become familiar with the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Beginning October 1 you and your parents can complete this form to apply for college financial aid.
• Update (or begin working on) your resume. Include extracurricular activities, honors, awards, and part-time jobs.
• Begin looking for scholarships. Check out the school counseling webpage and ScholarshipQuest at EducationQuest.org for Nebraska-based scholarships, and pay attention to scholarships current seniors have received.
• Find a summer job to help pay for college expenses. Ask prospective employers if they offer education assistance programs.

Stay safe and as always do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Lisa Hermsmeier
lhermsmeier@meridianmustangs.org
402-446-7265 ext. 1253



Just a From the Music Department

Wow! It's hard to believe May is just around the corner! What an incredibly fast year this has been! Some of our April highlights included our Elementary and Junior/Senior High Spring Concerts and District Music Contest. At District Music Contest we were so thrilled to have received Superior Ratings for Band, Choir, Show Choir, Kailyn Paul's Vocal Solo and Evelyn Woitalewicz's vocal solo; with Amber Vinsonhaler's vocal solo earning an excellent rating. Our Women's Ensemble also was recognized for a superior rating and Outstanding Performance Award Honorable Mention. All of the students' hard work and dedication has truly shone through at the District Music Contest!

Remember to come out to the Coffeehouse concert on May 8 to enjoy the Waffleman and a variety of musical performances from our students!

Thank you for all you do to support music at Meridian!

Actions Day Returns In 2023 After A Four-Year Hiatus

On Wednesday March 15, 2023, twenty - two Meridian High School students were able to compete once again at the Actions Day academic competition at Central Community College Hastings Campus. This was the first time since the spring of 2020 that Actions Day was held, due to the COVID -19 pandemic. The Meridian students left early in the morning for the trip to CCC Hastings to match wits with over 800 students from surrounding southeastern high schools in forty different subject areas. The Meridian students competed well and came away with their best showing at Actions Day ever going back to the initial contest in 2000. Meridian students who were nominated by Meridian teachers to attend were: Seniors: Bailey Holtmeier, Kailyn Paul, Andon Sales, Amber Vinsonhaler Juniors: Jackson Huls, Kolton Kumpf,



Peyton Norine, Kymber Schwisow, Evelyn Woitalewicz Sophomores: Shaysah Burkhart, Taelyn Filipi, McKenzie Hofstetter, Jaylee Sobotka, Samuel Thomas, **Freshmen:** Landon Griggs, Christian Guenther, Coby Huls, Ally Krumwiede, Olivia Schafer, Luke Seeman, Kyan Sones and Jenna Woitalewicz.

Students placing in the top five of their subjects were: Senior Kailyn Paul placed 1 st in Zoology and English II, 4 th in Music, Juniors: Evelyn Woitalewicz placed 1st in Word Problems and Syllabication; Peyton Norine placed 3rd in Family and Consumer Science; Sophomores: McKenzie Hoffstetter placed 4th in Zoology; Samuel Thomas placed 5th in Nicknames; Freshman Luke Seeman placed 3rd in World Geography and 4th in American History. Congratulations to the place winners and all the Meridian students who competed. A job well done!

Until next year.....
Mr. Placek

AWARDS BANQUET

Meridian’s annual Awards Banquet will be held on May 5th, 2023. The meal will be served starting at 5:30 p.m. with the awards to follow at approximately 6:00 p.m. Once again Ricky’s will be catering a meal provided by MPIE and Meridian Public School. If you see an MPIE member, please remember to thank them for their support. We will need an accurate count of those who wish to attend. Please call or email Trish at 402-446-7265 extension 2 or tendorf@meridianmustangs.org as soon as possible. Thank you.

Thank You!

A special “Thank You” to Scott and Joy Wolfe and the Cameron Kumpf Family. Each family has generously donated a beef to the Meridian Hot Lunch Program. We truly appreciate your generosity and support. Thanks again.

2023-2024 PHYSICALS

Jefferson Community Health and Life Fairbury Clinic will be offering sports physicals to students of any grade by appointment. On July 6 and July 25, from 4:40 p.m. to 6:40 p.m., Fairbury Clinic is offering evening appointments. If you would like to take advantage of the evening schedule, please call 402-729-3361 during regular business hours and make your appointment. If the evening

appointments on July 6 and 25 do not fit your schedule, an appointment may be made on any date during regular business hours. Kindergarten, 7th Grade, foreign exchange students, and students who move to our district from out of state are also required to have Nebraska physicals and State school immunization requirements must be met. In addition to a physical, Kindergarten, foreign exchange students, and students who move to our district from out of state will need an eye exam. Please call 402-729-3361 during regular business hours to schedule your appointment. Physicals must be completed before August 1, 2023. **Students must bring all forms with their name and date of birth on each as indicated - including the medical history form. These forms also require a signature by a parent or guardian. If a student comes to their appointment without completed forms, they will need to reschedule their physical.**

The price of each physical without insurance will be \$104 with an additional \$36 charge if a urine sample is required (7th Grade and Kindergarten). If you would like this ran through your insurance as a Well Child Check, make sure you have not submitted a Well Child Check within a year and notify the clinic at the time of scheduling. If urine is required, please pick up a sterile cup from the clinic ahead of time.

Physical forms can be found at the back of this newsletter, at the District Office of Meridian Public Schools, or on the NSAA website (nsaa.home). **Please fill out all of the attached forms. You need to include a signed NSAA Parent and Student Consent form when you turn your physicals in to the school. Student athletes are NOT allowed to play without a completed consent form on file at the school.**

Daykin Community Garage Sales

The Daykin Community Garage Sales have been scheduled for **Thursday, August 10, from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m. and Friday, August 11, from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.** (Note the change of dates from previous years.) Maps with locations and items for sale will be printed by August 1st and will be available at the

Daykin Country Store and all participating locations. Contact Mary Heidemann at 402-587-0177. There is no charge for participating.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023!

- Chase Bartels
- Shanesah Burkhart
- Rica Cross
- Alyssa Haake
- Edward Haverluck
- Bailey Holtmeter
- Jessica Karenbauer
- Johnathan Lubbers
- Alondra Nunez
- Jesus Nunez
- Kailyn Paul
- Dylan Peterson
- Kaylee Pribyl
- Andon Sales
- Lana Santacroce
- Schylar Schwisow
- Jordan Stockton
- Amber Vinsonhaler
- Jaslyn Ward
- Makenna Wyatt

WHAT lies ahead will always be a mystery. Do not be afraid to explore.

WHEN life pushes you over, you push back harder.

WHERE there are choices to make, make the one you won’t regret.



PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

HISTORY FORM

Note: Complete and sign this form (with your parents if younger than 18) before your appointment.

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Date of examination: _____ Sport(s): _____

Sex assigned at birth (F, M, or intersex): _____ How do you identify your gender? (F, M, or other): _____

List past and current medical conditions.
Have you ever had surgery? If yes, list all past surgical procedures.
Medicines and supplements: List all current prescriptions, over-the-counter medicines, and supplements (herbal and nutritional).
Do you have any allergies? If yes, please list all your allergies (ie, medicines, pollens, food, stinging insects).

Patient Health Questionnaire Version 4 (PHQ-4)
Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? (Circle response.)
Table with 5 columns: Problem, Not at all, Several days, Over half the days, Nearly every day.

GENERAL QUESTIONS
(Explain "Yes" answers at the end of this form. Circle questions if you don't know the answer.)
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU
Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No.

HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU (CONTINUED)
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY
Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No.



| BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 14. Have you ever had a stress fracture or an injury to a bone, muscle, ligament, joint, or tendon that caused you to miss a practice or game? | | |
| 15. Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament, or joint injury that bothers you? | | |
| MEDICAL QUESTIONS | Yes | No |
| 16. Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or after exercise? | | |
| 17. Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle (males), your spleen, or any other organ? | | |
| 18. Do you have groin or testicle pain or a painful bulge or hernia in the groin area? | | |
| 19. Do you have any recurring skin rashes or rashes that come and go, including herpes or methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA)? | | |
| 20. Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused confusion, a prolonged headache, or memory problems? | | |
| 21. Have you ever had numbness, had tingling, had weakness in your arms or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling? | | |
| 22. Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat? | | |
| 23. Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease? | | |
| 24. Have you ever had or do you have any problems with your eyes or vision? | | |

| MEDICAL QUESTIONS (CONTINUED) | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 25. Do you worry about your weight? | | |
| 26. Are you trying to or has anyone recommended that you gain or lose weight? | | |
| 27. Are you on a special diet or do you avoid certain types of foods or food groups? | | |
| 28. Have you ever had an eating disorder? | | |
| FEMALES ONLY | Yes | No |
| 29. Have you ever had a menstrual period? | | |
| 30. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period? | | |
| 31. When was your most recent menstrual period? | | |
| 32. How many periods have you had in the past 12 months? | | |

Explain "Yes" answers here.

I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers to the questions on this form are complete and correct.

Signature of athlete: _____

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Date: _____



■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION
ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES FORM: SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATHLETE HISTORY

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Table with 16 rows of questions and two columns for 'Yes' and 'No' answers. Questions include: 1. Type of disability, 2. Date of disability, 3. Classification, 4. Cause of disability, 5. List the sports you are playing, 6-16. Do you regularly use a brace, an assistive device, or a prosthetic device for daily activities? Do you use any special brace or assistive device for sports? Do you have any rashes, pressure sores, or other skin problems? Do you have a hearing loss? Do you use a hearing aid? Do you have a visual impairment? Do you use any special devices for bowel or bladder function? Do you have burning or discomfort when urinating? Have you had autonomic dysreflexia? Have you ever been diagnosed as having a heat-related (hyperthermia) or cold-related (hypothermia) illness? Do you have muscle spasticity? Do you have frequent seizures that cannot be controlled by medication?

Explain "Yes" answers here.

Please indicate whether you have ever had any of the following conditions:

Table with 17 rows of conditions and two columns for 'Yes' and 'No' answers. Conditions include: Atlantoaxial instability, Radiographic (x-ray) evaluation for atlantoaxial instability, Dislocated joints (more than one), Easy bleeding, Enlarged spleen, Hepatitis, Osteopenia or osteoporosis, Difficulty controlling bowel, Difficulty controlling bladder, Numbness or tingling in arms or hands, Numbness or tingling in legs or feet, Weakness in arms or hands, Weakness in legs or feet, Recent change in coordination, Recent change in ability to walk, Spina bifida, Latex allergy.

Explain "Yes" answers here.

I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers to the questions on this form are complete and correct.

Signature of athlete: _____
Signature of parent or guardian: _____
Date: _____

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■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

ATHLETES WITH DISABILITIES FORM: SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATHLETE HISTORY

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

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|---|-----|----|
| 1. Type of disability: | | |
| 2. Date of disability: | | |
| 3. Classification (if available): | | |
| 4. Cause of disability (birth, disease, injury, or other): | | |
| 5. List the sports you are playing: | | |
| | Yes | No |
| 6. Do you regularly use a brace, an assistive device, or a prosthetic device for daily activities? | | |
| 7. Do you use any special brace or assistive device for sports? | | |
| 8. Do you have any rashes, pressure sores, or other skin problems? | | |
| 9. Do you have a hearing loss? Do you use a hearing aid? | | |
| 10. Do you have a visual impairment? | | |
| 11. Do you use any special devices for bowel or bladder function? | | |
| 12. Do you have burning or discomfort when urinating? | | |
| 13. Have you had autonomic dysreflexia? | | |
| 14. Have you ever been diagnosed as having a heat-related (hyperthermia) or cold-related (hypothermia) illness? | | |
| 15. Do you have muscle spasticity? | | |
| 16. Do you have frequent seizures that cannot be controlled by medication? | | |

Explain "Yes" answers here.

Please indicate whether you have ever had any of the following conditions:

| | | |
|--|-----|----|
| | Yes | No |
| Atlantoaxial instability | | |
| Radiographic (x-ray) evaluation for atlantoaxial instability | | |
| Dislocated joints (more than one) | | |
| Easy bleeding | | |
| Enlarged spleen | | |
| Hepatitis | | |
| Osteopenia or osteoporosis | | |
| Difficulty controlling bowel | | |
| Difficulty controlling bladder | | |
| Numbness or tingling in arms or hands | | |
| Numbness or tingling in legs or feet | | |
| Weakness in arms or hands | | |
| Weakness in legs or feet | | |
| Recent change in coordination | | |
| Recent change in ability to walk | | |
| Spina bifida | | |
| Latex allergy | | |

Explain "Yes" answers here.

I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers to the questions on this form are complete and correct.

Signature of athlete: _____
Signature of parent or guardian: _____
Date: _____

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PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction
- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment of

- Medically eligible for certain sports

- Not medically eligible pending further evaluation

- Not medically eligible for any sports

Recommendations: _____

I have examined the student named on this form and completed the preparticipation physical evaluation. The athlete does not have apparent clinical contraindications to practice and can participate in the sport(s) as outlined on this form. A copy of the physical examination findings are on record in my office and can be made available to the school at the request of the parents. If conditions arise after the athlete has been cleared for participation, the physician may rescind the medical eligibility until the problem is resolved and the potential consequences are completely explained to the athlete (and parents or guardians).

Name of health care professional (print or type): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Signature of health care professional: _____, MD, DO, NP, or PA

SHARED EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Allergies: _____

Medications: _____

Other information: _____

Emergency contacts: _____

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To be completed for Students participating in any NSAA activities.

Student and Parent Consent Form



School Year: 20 ___ -20 ___
Member School: ___
Name of Student: ___
Date of Birth: ___ Place of Birth: ___

The undersigned(s) are the Student and the parent(s), guardian(s), or person(s) in charge of the above-named Student and are collectively referred to as "Parent".

The Parent and Student hereby:

- (1) Understand and agree that participation in NSAA sponsored activities is voluntary on the part of the Student and is a privilege;
(2) Understand and agree that (a) by this Consent Form the NSAA has provided to the Parent and Student of the existence of potential dangers associated with athletic and activity participation;
(3) Consent and agree to participation of the Student in NSAA activities subject to all NSAA Bylaws and rules interpretations for participation in NSAA sponsored athletic and/or activities;
(4) Consent and agree to (a) the disclosure by the Member School at which the Student is enrolled to the NSAA, and subsequent disclosure by the NSAA, of information regarding the Student;
(5) Consent and agree to authorize licensed sports injury personnel to evaluate and treat any injury or illness that occurs during the Student's participation in NSAA activities.
(6) Acknowledge that Parents are obligated to pay for professional medical and/or related services; the NSAA shall not be liable for payment of such services.

I acknowledge that I have read paragraphs (1) through (6) above, understand and agree to the terms thereof, including the warning of potential risk of injury inherent in participation in athletics and activities.

Name of Student [Print Name] Student Signature Date

(I am)(We are) the Student's [circle appropriate choice] (Parent) (Guardian). (I)(We) acknowledge that (I)(We) have read paragraphs (1) through (6) above, understand and agree to the terms thereof, including the warning of potential risk of injury inherent in participation in athletics and activities. Having read the warning in paragraph (2) above and understanding the potential risk of injury to my Student, (I)(we) hereby give (my)(our) permission for [insert Student name] to practice and compete for the above named high school in activities approved by the NSAA, except those crossed out below:

Table with 7 columns: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Debate, Football, Golf, Journalism, Music, Play Production, Soccer, Softball, Speech, Swim/Dive, Tennis, Track & Field, Unified Bowling, Unified Track & Field, Volleyball, Wrestling

Table with 3 columns: Parent(s)/Guardian Printed Name(s)*, Parent/Guardian Signature, Date of Signature

*Both Mother and Father must sign, unless parents are divorced, the custodial parent must sign, or if the Student is not living with parents, the Student's legal guardian.



***Coming to Meridian - May 8th
Before Coffee House Concert from 5-7 pm***

\$8 per plate

All you can eat 9" malted Belgium waffles

Waffleman™ Sausage

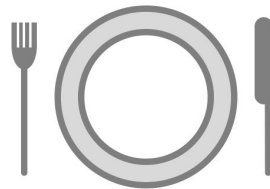
(pre-cooked pork links with no spices)

Fresh Whipped Cream

Butter

Six Syrups

**Maple, Pecan, Strawberry, Boysenberry,
Blueberry, and Sugar-free Maple**



**@WafflemanBill
#WafflemanBill**



Meridian Alumni Banquet June 3rd, 2023

Activities are being planned for the Meridian Alumni Banquet to be held Saturday, June 3rd, 2023, at the Tobias Auditorium. Social Hour starting at 6:00 and meal served at 7:00.

The Alumni Association is sponsoring a sand volleyball tournament and a cornhole tournament. Both events will be held in Tobias. You and your spouse/guest are welcome to participate in one or both events. The honored the classes are 1968, 73, 78, 83, 88, 93, 98, 2003, 08, 13, 18, and 23.

The Alumni Committee is proud to announce the evening's entertainment will be Tom Burgoon. Tom has wowed and impressed audiences coast to coast both on land and sea. His unique brand of comedy and magic has been showcased from cruise lines to corporate clients; from comedy clubs in Las Vegas, Reno and L.A. to performing at George W. Bush's Inaugural Ball in Washington D.C.

There will be a cornhole tournament in Tobias and a sand volleyball tournament in Daykin. If you are interested in playing cornhole, please contact **Matt VanWesten (402-300-1347)** or **Mark Houser (402-300-0420) BY TEXT ONLY**. If you would like to participate in the volleyball tournament, please contact **Dillon (402-239-9702)** or **Brooke Wolfe (402-446-2107) BY TEXT ONLY**.

Cost of the event is \$25.00 per person payable to Meridian Alumni. T-shirts will be available to alumni ONLY, so make sure you pre-order if you would like one. Meridian alum who would like to purchase a t-shirt may do so for \$30.00 (includes registration). **This registration form is also available on the Meridian Alumni Association Facebook Page and Meridian Public Schools website (www.meridianmustangs.org).** **PLEASE HAVE YOUR REGISTRATION IN BY MAY 24th, 2023.**

Mail registrations to:
Meridian Alumni
PO Box 172
Daykin, NE 68338

Meridian Alumni Banquet – June 3rd, 2023 – Deadline: May 24th, 2023

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Mail registrations to:
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Name _____ Phone# _____

Meridian Class of _____ T-shirt size _____ Sand Volleyball Yes _____ No _____

Cornhole Tournament Yes _____ No _____ Volleyball Tournament Yes _____ No _____

Name _____ Phone# _____

Meridian Class of _____ T-shirt size _____ Sand Volleyball Yes _____ No _____

Cornhole Tournament Yes _____ No _____ Volleyball Tournament Yes _____ No _____

If you are interested in helping in any way with this Banquet, please call one of the following:
Dwayne Wolfe: 402-520-2688 Pat Johnson: 402-446-2018



2023 MERIDIAN SFS SCHEDULE

| MAY 9TH | | | |
|----------|----------|------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | DORCHESTER | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | DORCHESTER | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | BYE | N/A |

| MAY 11TH | | | |
|----------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | GENEVA BLACK | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | FAIRBURY C | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | BYE | MERIDIAN | N/A |

| MAY 16TH | | | |
|----------|----------|------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | E/M | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | E/M | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | E/M | 8:30 |

| MAY 18TH | | | |
|----------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | WILBER GREEN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | WILBER GREEN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | BYE | N/A |

| MAY 23RD | | | |
|----------|--------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MCCOOL | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MCCOOL | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MCCOOL | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| MAY 25TH | | | |
|----------|------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | PLYMOUTH C | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | PLYMOUTH A | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | PLYMOUTH | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| MAY 30TH | | | |
|----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | *MERIDIAN | PLYMOUTH B | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | WILBER WHITE | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | BYE | N/A |

| JUNE 1ST | | | |
|----------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | FRIEND WHITE | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | FRIEND RED | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | FRIEND RED | 8:30 |

| JUNE 6TH | | | |
|----------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | WILBER BLACK | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | WILBER BLACK | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | WILBER BLACK | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| JUNE 8TH | | | |
|----------|---------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | DEWITT | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | DEWITT | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | GENEVA PURPLE | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| JUNE 13TH | | | |
|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | PLYMOUTH A | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | FAIRBURY A | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | FAIRBURY | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| JUNE 15TH | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | GENEVA WHITE | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | GENEVA PURPLE | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | GENEVA PURPLE | 8:30 |

| JUNE 20TH | | | |
|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | FAIRBURY B | MERIDIAN | 5:50 |
| AMERICAN | FAIRBURY B | MERIDIAN | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | FAIRBURY | MERIDIAN | 8:30 |

| JUNE 22ND | | | |
|-----------|----------|------------|-------------|
| | AWAY | HOME | FIRST PITCH |
| PEEWEEES | MERIDIAN | BYE | N/A |
| AMERICAN | MERIDIAN | PLYMOUTH A | 7:00 |
| NATIONAL | MERIDIAN | PLYMOUTH | 8:30 |

*NOTE: ON MAY 30TH PEEWEE TEAM WILL PLAY PLYMOUTH B IN WILBER

2023 MERIDIAN COACH PITCH SCHEDULE

ALL GAMES WILL HAVE A START TIME OF 6:00 P.M.— PLAYERS NEED TO ARRIVE BY 5:30 P.M. FOR WARMUPS PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR GLOVE AND BATTING HELMET

MAY 5TH: FAIRBURY SHELTER VS MERIDIAN @ TOBIAS

MAY 17TH: GENEVA 2 VS MERIDIAN @ TOBIAS

MAY 22ND: FAIRBURY PRECISION VS MERIDIAN @ FAIRBURY

MAY 24TH: PLYMOUTH VS MERIDIAN @ PLYMOUTH

MAY 31ST: GENEVA 1 VS MERIDIAN @ TOBIAS

JUNE 5TH: FAIRBURY SHELTER VS MERIDIAN @ FAIRBURY

JUNE 7TH: GENEVA 2 VS MERIDIAN @ TOBIAS

JUNE 12TH: FAIRBURY PRECISION VS MERIDIAN @ TOBIAS



2023 Meridian Softball Schedule

May 15th (Monday)

8's Dorchester vs Meridian 5:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 8's Dorchester vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Dorchester vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 14's Dorchester vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

May 22nd (Monday)

8's Plymouth vs Meridian 5:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Plymouth vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 12's Plymouth vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 14's Plymouth vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

May 26th (Friday)

8's Deshler vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Deshler vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 12's Deshler vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

June 2nd (Friday)

8's Meridian @ McCool 6:00 p.m. @ McCool
 10's Meridian @ McCool 7:00 p.m. @ McCool
 12's Meridian @ McCool 8:15 p.m. @ McCool

June 7th (Wednesday)

8's Meridian @ Geneva 1 6:00 p.m. @ Geneva
 10's Meridian @ Geneva 1 7:00 p.m. @ Geneva
 12's Meridian @ Geneva 1 8:15 p.m. @ Geneva

June 14th (Wednesday)

8's Geneva 2 vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Geneva 2 vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 8's Geneva 2 vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

League Tournaments:

8's June 16-18 @ Wilber/Plymouth
 12's June 16-18 @ Geneva

May 17th (Wednesday)

8's Meridian @ Wilber 5:00 p.m. @ Wilber
 10's Meridian @ Wilber 6:00 p.m. @ Wilber
 12's Meridian @ Wilber 7:00 p.m. @ Wilber
 14's Meridian @ Wilber 8:15 p.m. @ Wilber

May 24th (Wednesday)

8's Meridian @ DeWitt 6:00 p.m. @ DeWitt
 10's Meridian @ DeWitt 7:00 p.m. @ DeWitt
 12's Meridian @ DeWitt 8:15 p.m. @ DeWitt

May 31st (Wednesday)

8's Friend vs Meridian 5:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Friend vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 12's Friend vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 14's Friend vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

June 5th (Monday)

8's Meridian @ BDS 5:00 p.m. @ Shickley
 10's Meridian @ BDS 6:00 p.m. @ Shickley
 8's Meridian @ BDS 7:00 p.m. @ Shickley
 12's Meridian @ Wilber 8:15 p.m. @ Shickley

June 12th (Monday)

8's Hebron vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 10's Hebron vs Meridian 7:00 p.m. @ Meridian
 8's Hebron vs Meridian 8:15 p.m. @ Meridian

June 19th (Monday)

10's Meridian @ Geneva 6:00 p.m. @ Geneva


June 21st (Wednesday)

10's DeWitt vs Meridian 6:00 p.m. @ Meridian

10's June 23-25 @ Friend
 14's June 23-25 @ BDS - Shickley

18S SOFTBALL SCHEDULE


| | GAME 1 | GAME 2 | GAME 3 |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| MAY 25TH @ DAYKIN: TRIANGULAR: Start - 6:00 p.m. | Meridian/McCool | Plymouth/McCool | Meridian/Plymouth |
| MAY 30TH @ DAYKIN: TRIANGULAR: Start - 6:00 p.m. | Meridian/Wilber | Wilber/BDS | Meridian/BDS |
| JUNE 6TH @ BLUE SPRINGS: TRIANGULAR: Start - 5:30 p.m. | Meridian/Blue Springs | Meridian/Geneva | Blue Springs/Geneva |
| JUNE 9TH - JUNE 11TH: DISTRICTS @ HASTINGS: TBA | | | |
| JUNE 14TH @ PLYMOUTH: TRIANGULAR: Start - TBA | TBD | | |
| JUNE 22ND @ HASTINGS: TRIANGULAR: Start - TBA | TBD | | |
| WEEK OF JUNE 26TH: TOURNAMENT @ GENEVA | | | |
| JULY 7TH - 9TH CLASS C STATE SOFTBALL: TOURNAMENT @ HASTINGS | | | |
| JULY 14TH - 16TH CLASS D STATE SOFTBALL: TOURNAMENT @ HASTINGS | | | |

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