

Pella High School

Principal Newsletter

The mission of the Pella Community Schools is to maximize life's opportunities for every child.



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The end of the school year is quickly approaching, even though it seems like we started just a short time ago. Tulip Time is three weeks away. Then, the seniors only have seven more school days. In another eight days all students will have completed another year of school. Please continue to discuss the importance of staying focused for the remainder of the school year. We appreciate all of your support in motivating your child to complete the school year in a positive manor.

We have enlisted the services of the National Student Clearinghouse for tracking students. We received our first report and the data is included in this newsletter. It compares our students to the national and state averages. It is very positive to see our students are continuing to achieve at high levels.

Thank you,
Eric Nelson
Principal

Jon Muller
Assistant Principal

Calendar

- May 1: POST 6-Week Grades
- May 7: Tulip Time – 11:15 Dismissal (Period 1-4)
- May 8: Tulip Time – 11:15 Dismissal (Period 5-8)
- May 13: Senior Awards Night
- May 19: Seniors Last Day
- May 22: Graduation
- May 25: No School – Memorial Day
- May 28 & 29: Semester Assessments, Laptop Return & Student Checkout
- May 29: Last Day of School



Senior Awards Night - Wednesday, May 13, 2015

Senior Awards Night starts at 7:00pm in the Auditorium. Those who applied for Dollars for Scholars will need to attend. Please dress appropriately; business casual is encouraged.

Distinguished Service Program

Seniors collecting volunteer hours should submit all their hours by Monday, April 27. If seniors are planning to accumulate hours during Tulip Time, they should still submit their other hours by the 27th, so we can try to complete the logging process before Senior Awards Night. The final deadline for seniors' hours will be May 11.

All other students (juniors through freshman) can keep accumulating hours throughout the summer.

Last Day Of School

The last day of school for the 2014-15 school year is Friday, May 29th, this will be a full day of school. Semester Assessments will be Thursday, May 28th and Friday, May 29th.

Tulip Time Work Excuse

Please complete the form included in this newsletter, have your son or daughter turn the form in to the office.

Calendar

* Go to www.pellaschools.org and click on the calendar tab to see all events/activities. You may also access the calendar by going to www.littlehawkeyeconference.com



National Student Clearinghouse: Pella Community High

Graduation rate (2014)

National - 81%
State - 90%
Pella - 98% (2014)

Post - Secondary enrollment (2/4 year)

National - 63% of graduates enroll
State - 70% of graduates enroll
Pella - 77% (6-yr average)

Post-Secondary Persistence (enrolled students in post-secondary from 1st year to 2nd year)

National - 77% (4-yr) 54%(2-yr)
State - n/a
Pella - 97% (4-yr) 79% (2-yr) (5-yr average)

Update Demographic Information

Has your email, phone, or address changed? Please take a moment to update your email address, phone number, and address on the Infinite Campus parent portal. This will be important for any summer correspondence from the school. Select the listed tabs below to edit demographic data:

- **Address change**: select **Household Information** under **Family**
- **Email & Phone changes**: select **Family Members** under **Family**
- **Emergency contact changes**: select **Demographics** under each student's name

Online Registration for the 2015-16 School Year... NOW OPEN!

There is a link to 2015-16 Registration in your Inbox under Messages on your [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#). The link reads as follows:

“Click here to register your student(s) for the 2015-16 school year!”

Some of you have already found the link and will be able to complete registration by paying the registration fees online starting July 1, 2015.

