



Emmetsburg Middle/High School
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PRINCIPAL REPORT 2020-21

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Emmetsburg Community School's Mission

The mission of the Emmetsburg Community School District is to prepare responsible and productive citizens for an ever-changing world by the utilization of our total resources through a partnership of the family, school and community.

- **Middle School Enrollment:** The Middle School had 203 (227 in 19-20) students register for the 2020-21 school year. Enrollments per class are 5th Grade - 56 (54 in 19-20); 6th Grade - 52 (47 in 19-20); 7th Grade - 41 (52 in 19-20); and, 8th Grade - 54 (74 in 19-20). These numbers do not include our shared students from the Catholic School for Vocal and Band
- **High School Enrollment:** The High School had 275 (273 in 19-20) students register for the 2020-21 school year. Enrollments per class are Freshmen - 76 (66 in 19-20); Sophomores - 66 (66 in 19-20); Juniors - 61 (78 in 19-20); and, Seniors - 76 (63 in 19-20).
- **Homecoming 2020:** Homecoming is currently scheduled for the week of September 28th with the game being played on Friday, October 2nd. Due to COVID, we know this is going to look different this year. Items currently being discussed include:
 - Dress Up Days
 - Monday - Meme Monday
 - Tuesday -PJ Day
 - Wednesday - Class color day
 - Thursday - Disney Day
 - Friday - Black and Gold
 - Hallway decorations
 - Students will spend time prior to homecoming to decorate hallways
 - Coronation - Wednesday, Sept. 30
 - Candidates will meet in the gym prior to coronation to organize and take photos.
 - Limited Attendance for the event: 6 maximum per candidate
 - The event will be live-streamed via social media and the local tv channel
 - Student activities
 - Homerooms will compete in daily challenges for the opportunity to win a homeroom pizza party. Winner will be announced at Friday's Pep Rally
 - Pep Rallies
 - Friday, Oct. 2 3:00 estimated time

- HS Football field
 - Live Stream the pep rally
 - Working to determine if we will host a pep rally event at the Elementary
- Friday Halftime
 - Same procedure - Candidates and parents will walk across the field
 - Band will play after announcements
- **School Pictures**: All school pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 23rd. We will invite online students to come to the school at 7:30 to get their photos taken before we send the rest of the student body through the process. LifeTouch will again be taking these photos and families should watch their e-mails for communication from them regarding purchasing photos online.

Emmetsburg Community School's Vision

Celebrate (Academic Milestones and Personal Growth)

- ***School Registration***: *To accommodate COVID regulations, we utilized an entire online registration process for the 2020-21 school year. This is a great way to update the information we have in JMC and to accommodate busy parents that find it difficult to attend a registration day. Due to some confusion between JMC and our online payment provider (PaySchools), we are looking to transition to online payments being processed directly through JMC for next year.*
 - *104 registration fees still need to be paid. In talking to these families, the transition from JMC to PaySchools was very confusing. Our secretaries are working with these families to get these taken care of.*
 - *69 students need to finish the online registration process*
- ***Mid-Term 1st Quarter***: *The 1st Quarter Mid-Term is Wednesday, September 23rd with grades being due by 3:45 on Thursday, September 24th. All grades will be sent home via e-mail on September 25th or put in the mail if we don't have an e-mail on file.*

Use Teamwork (Collaborate with- Students, Teachers, Parents, Administrators, Community)

- ***Professional Development***:
 - *Secondary staff will use some of the first in-service Wednesdays to collaborate and videotape focus lessons in all content areas. This will ensure our students that are participating in online learning can get their initial instruction from the teacher and allow any students in quarantine to access these files. We will work to improve this process in preparation for any instructional changes due to COVID.*

Provide a Safe Environment by (No Bullying, Encouraging Positive Risk Taking)

- *Congratulations to the following high school students on being elected to the 2020-21 Student Council:*
 - *Abbie Schany, Ben Dunlap, Jenna Joyce, Kady Traub, Olivia Chism, Rachel Miner, Laney Montag, Emily Schany, Raegan Swanson, Emma Auten, Devan Garman, Kalen Law, Lucian Benjamin, Ben Merwald and Allyson Thompson.*
- *Congratulation sto the following Middle School students on being elected to the 2020-21 Student Council:*
 - *Emmy Dooley, Caroline Burdick, Lily Straw, Carmen Barraga-Peters, Clayton Hoch, Chloe Frederick, Sean Stokes, Peyton Bohl, Jackson Soenen, Addi Fehr-Opheim, Tyler Albrant, Jameson Boevers, Mackenzie Krug, Ashton Peters, Reese Taylor, Kylie Hoffman, Owen Rouse and Colten Crumbaugh.*
- *The Middle School PBIS Team is transitioning to a Student of the Week recognition. These students are selected by their teachers, will be recognized on Monday morning and earn front of the lunch line privileges. Congratulations to this week's students:*
 - *5th Grade - Montana Wilson and Cooper Ezarski*
 - *6th Grade - Landon Cadwell and Clayton Hoch*
 - *7th Grade - Trinity Garman and Christian Ludwig*
 - *8th Grade - Jameson Boevers and Collyn Trembly*

Promote Success by (Developing Independent Thinkers, Being Accountable for Learning, Creating a Respectful Environment)

- *With changes for the enrollment in courses at Iowa Lakes and the changes they experienced this year going virtual, we have a few less students taking college classes 1st Semester:*
 - *56 Students (82 at this time last year)*
 - *107 Classes (140 at this time last year)*
 - *3 students in Career Academy (8 at this time last year)*