

# TIGER TALK



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Dear Parents and District Patrons,

Where has the school year gone?

The end of the third quarter is March 11th, which is quickly approaching. Once the third quarter is over, the end of the school year is here before we know it. As the end of the school year approaches the students are going to be very busy taking State tests, finishing projects, competing in numerous activities and a few (seniors) have started the count down to the end of their high school days.

Students in grades three through eight will begin NSCAS testing in April. Juniors will take the ACT March 24th and the sophomores take the PreACT March 31st. It is very important to keep a few things in mind during these testing dates. The following tips will help you prepare your children for test taking.

- ✓ Keep a positive attitude towards taking tests.
- ✓ Mark down the testing days on your calendar at home.
- ✓ Make sure your child gets enough sleep on the night before the test.
- ✓ Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and healthy foods.
- ✓ Avoid scheduling appointments during this time.

These are just a few of the things you can do to help your child be successful on testing days. Student testing provides our school with valuable information on student learning and the results help lead our school improvement team in making decisions for continued student learning.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

## Important Dates To Remember

Late Start - March 9  
KG Orientation - March 11  
End of 3rd Quarter - March 11  
Spring Break - March 12-13  
K-5 Family Night - March 26

Educationally yours,

Delbert F. Dack  
Superintendent Paxton Schools



Elementary Family Night

!!SAVE THE DATE!!

K-5 Family Night is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

We hope you can join us for a night of food and fun. Please plan to arrive a little early, as registration will begin at 5:15 p.m. Dinner will be served to each guest at no cost and child care will be provided for children under 5.

## *Once Upon a Woodland Dream*

*6:00 Sr. & Jr couple Pictures*

*6:30 Sr & Jr Meal*

*6:45 Soph & Fr couple Pictures*

*7:30 Class Pictures*

*7:30 Doors open to the public*

*8:00 Grand March*

*8:30 Dance*

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is available online each month at:*

*<http://www.paxtonschools.org>*



Think  
Spring!

# MARCH

# HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY

## 2026

### Paxton Consolidated Schools Breakfast/Lunch Menu

| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                                         | MONDAY                                                                                                                     | TUESDAY                                                  | WEDNESDAY                                                                      | THURSDAY                                                                                                                      | FRIDAY                                                                                                                        | SATURDAY                                                                   |
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| 1                                                                                                                                                              | 2                                                                                                                          | 3                                                        | 4                                                                              | 5                                                                                                                             | 6                                                                                                                             | 7                                                                          |
| THIS IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER                                                                                                                          | Un crustables<br>Chicken Fajitas & Corn                                                                                    | Pancakes<br>Flying Saucers, Veggie, Roll & Butter        | Scrambled Eggs with Cheese<br>Cheese or Sausage Pizza                          | Breakfast Burritos<br>Hamburger Stroganoff, Veggie & Breadstick Fries                                                         | GRAB & GO<br>Mini Corndogs & French Fries                                                                                     |                                                                            |
| 8                                                                                                                                                              | 9                                                                                                                          | 10                                                       | 11                                                                             | 12                                                                                                                            | 13                                                                                                                            | 14                                                                         |
| <br><b>10:00 START</b><br>No Breakfast<br>Pulled Pork on a Bun & Tater Tots | Yogurt Parfaits<br>Shepherd's Pie, Roll & Butter                                                                           | Yogurt Parfaits<br>Shepherd's Pie, Roll & Butter         | Breakfast Sandwich<br>Hot Dogs on a Bun & Mac & Cheese                         | <b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b> | <b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>NO SCHOOL</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b><br><b>SPRING BREAK</b> | <b>** DONATED BEEF BY TIGER BEEF PROGRAM</b>                               |
| 15                                                                                                                                                             | 16                                                                                                                         | 17                                                       | 18                                                                             | 19                                                                                                                            | 20                                                                                                                            | 21                                                                         |
| CiniMinis<br>Breakfast Burritos & Tater Tots                                                                                                                   | Camel Eyes<br>Beef Enchiladas & Veggie  | Camel Eyes<br>Beef Enchiladas & Veggie                   | Lumberjacks<br>Pork Loin Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Veggie, Roll & Butter         | Grilled Peanut Butter & Jelly<br>Cavatini, Veggie and Garlic Toast                                                            | GRAB & GO<br>Chicken Patty on a Bun & French Fries                                                                            |                                                                            |
| 22                                                                                                                                                             | 23                                                                                                                         | 24                                                       | 25                                                                             | 26                                                                                                                            | 27                                                                                                                            | 28                                                                         |
| Muffins<br>Chicken Spaghetti, Veggie & Garlic Toast                                                                                                            | Muffins<br>Chicken Spaghetti, Veggie & Garlic Toast                                                                        | Breakfast Sandwich<br>Walking Tacos                      | Scrambled Egg Bowls<br>Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Roll & Butter | Breakfast Pizza<br>Ham & Cheese Tater Tot Casserole & Breadstick                                                              | GRAB & GO<br>Hot Turkey & Cheese & French Fries                                                                               | <b>BREAKFAST IS SERVED WITH FRUIT/ FRUIT ALTERNATE, CEREAL &amp; TOAST</b> |
| 29                                                                                                                                                             | 30                                                                                                                         | 31                                                       |                                                                                |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                               |                                                                            |
| Yogurt Parfaits<br>Calazone & Veggie                                                                                                                           | Yogurt Parfaits<br>Calazone & Veggie                                                                                       | Scrambled Eggs with Cheese & Sausage<br>Baked Potato Bar |                                                                                |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                               |                                                                            |

# MRS. MCABEE'S NEWSLETTER

## SCIENCE OLYMPIAD



High School Science Olympiad team. Not pictured:  
Briley Dorram and Halle Griffith

The Science Olympiad teams are gearing up for their season of competition. The students hold practices both before and after school. Students have also competed virtually this year which added to their level of competition.

In the high school Division C group, which is lead by Coach Drews, the following students are competing in these events:

A&P - Chase & Preston, Astronomy - Kaydee & Briley, Boomilever- Thomas & Madi, Halle & Kadyence, Bungee Drop - Marlee & Ella, Chem Lab - Ella & Kepler, Designer Genes - Jakcee & Marlee, Disease Detectives - Madi & Preston, Dynamic Planet - Madi & Preston, Jakcee & Abby, Electric Vehicle - Landon & Colton, Engineering - Thomas & Kepler, Entomology - Ella & Marlee, Experimental Design - Ella, Jakcee & Abby, Forensics - Briley, Helicopter - Thomas & James, Hovercraft - Landon & Colton, Machines - Landon & Colton, Robot Tour - Madi & Kepler, Rocks & Minerals - Abby & Kaydee, Water Quaility - Briley & Abby

Students will travel to the following competitions this year: March 17<sup>th</sup> - Kearney, April 8<sup>th</sup> - Ogallala  
April 18<sup>th</sup> - Lincoln (state competition)

**GOOD LUCK TIGERS!!**



## PAXTON

### Middle & High School February Students of the Month

In grades 6-8, Jacob Fote was named the February Student of the Month. Jacob's teachers stated that he always completes his work diligently and is kind to everyone. Congratulations Jacob!

In grades 9-12, Ella Fote was honored as the February Student of the Month. Her teachers said she works hard in and out of the classroom taking a full load of college classes all while maintaining a positive attitude and helping other students. Congratulations Ella!



In the middle school Division B group, which is lead by Coach Mullen, the following students are competing in these events:

A&P - Brynn & Hynlee, Hogan & Brodie, Boomilever - Owen & Brysun, Broghan & Gavin, Brodie & Tristan, Circuit Lab - Clyde & Tycho, Codebusters - Owen, Brodie, & Brysun, Crimebusters - Hadley & Brynn, Gavin & Bentley, Dynamic Planet - Brodie & Jacob, Entomology - Jacob & Tycho, Experimental Design - Owen, Tycho & Tristan, Helicopters - Jacob & Brysun, Heredity - Hadley & Hynlee, Hovercraft - Clyde & Tycho, Jacob & Broghan, Machines - Brodie & Brysun, Meterology - Tristan & Brysun, Metric Mastery - Hadley & Brodie, Mission Possible - Tycho, Potions & Poisons - Bentley & Hogan, Rocks & Minerals - Bentley & Hynlee, Scrambler - Hogan & Hynlee, Gavin & Bentley, Solar System - Hadley & Brynn, Jacob & Clyde, Write It Do it - Hadley & Brynn, Hogan

# MARCH

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## 2026

### Paxton Consolidated Schools Activity Calendar

| SUNDAY | MONDAY                                                      | TUESDAY                                                                       | WEDNESDAY                                                                     | THURSDAY                                          | FRIDAY                                                                                   | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | 2<br>NSAA Spring Practice Starts<br>Boys District BB        | 3<br>Boys District BB<br>InterHigh Day @ NPCC<br>Quiz Bowl @ Stapleton @ 4:30 | 4<br>State G BB<br>Hirschfeld's Tux Night @ Ole's 6:00                        | 5<br>State G BB                                   | 6<br>State G BB                                                                          | 7<br>State G BB<br>Speech @ Maxwell                                                                                                                                                      |
| 8      | 9<br>Late Start 10:00                                       | 10                                                                            | 11<br>End of 3rd Qtr Kindergarten<br>Orientation 11:45- 1:15<br>Boys State BB | 12<br>NO SCHOOL<br>Spring Break<br>Boys State BB  | 13<br>NO SCHOOL<br>Spring Break<br>Boys State BB                                         | 14                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 15     | 16<br>ESU Quiz Bowl @ North Platte                          | 17<br>Science Olympiad @ Kearney                                              | 18<br>District Speech @ South Platte<br>Quiz Bowl @ North Platte @ 12:30      | 19                                                | 20<br> | 21<br>PROM<br>6:00~Sr & Jr Couple Pictures<br>6:30~Sr & Jr Meal<br>6:45~10th & 9th Couple Pict<br>7:30~Class Pictures & Doors open to the public<br>8:00~Grand March<br>8:30~11:30~Dance |
| 22     | 23<br>RPAC Band Clinic @ Med Valley                         | 24<br>ACT for Juniors<br>RPAC Band @ Wa-Pa Concert @ 6:00                     | 25<br>Battle of the Books @ Sutherland @ 8:00<br>State FFA                    | 26<br>Elementary Family Night @ 5:30<br>State FFA | 27<br>State FFA                                                                          | 28<br>State Speech @ Kearney<br>Track @ Hershey                                                                                                                                          |
| 29     | 30<br>Music Trip to Denver<br>Golf @ Crandall Creek @ 10:00 | 31<br>Pre ACT for Sophomores                                                  |                                                                               |                                                   |                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Upcoming dates:

- MidPlains Community College will be hosting their Inter High days where high school students can go and compete for scholarships March 3 in North Platte. The students did very well at McCook on Feb 11
- March 19 we will be taking some of the Middle School students to MPCC North Platte campus where they will be able to participate in Expanding Your Horizons, to explore different careers and how they use math, science, STEM, and problem solving skills.
- March 24 the juniors will be taking the ACT test during the school day. They will be able to leave school when the test is finished. They will need a calculator and be fed breakfast!!
- March 31 the sophomores will be taking the PreACT test. They will also need a calculator and be fed breakfast beforehand.
- STUCO and NHS members are assembling a Clothing closet for students of all ages. We've had many donations from the community and we appreciate them. Right now the things that we are in need of are socks and personal hygiene items (deodorant, soap, shampoo & conditioner, combs, brushes, hair ties, toothbrush and toothpaste).
- Seniors and their parents completing the FAFSA is a graduation requirement. If you choose not to complete it, make sure you've signed the opt out forms. These can be found by asking Mrs. Spencer.
- More and more scholarships are coming in. These are posted on a website that is linked on the Paxton Counseling page on the school website. Please let me know if you have questions or need any assistance in this opportunity for free money to attend college.

Students can sign up to take the ACT test on their own. They will need to set up an account at [myact.org](https://myact.org). Below are the National Test dates. Let me know if you need any assistance in getting signed up to take it. I also have some waivers so that you don't have to pay for the test. The test given in the spring at Paxton schools is not one that you have to pay for.

## 2026 National Test Dates Schedule

| Test Date         | Regular Registration Deadline<br>Late Fee Applies After This Date | Late Registration Deadline |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| September 6, 2025 | August 1                                                          | August 19                  |
| October 18, 2025  | September 12                                                      | September 30               |
| December 13, 2025 | November 7                                                        | November 24                |
| February 14, 2026 | January 9                                                         | January 23                 |
| April 11, 2026    | March 6                                                           | March 24                   |
| June 13, 2026     | May 8                                                             | May 29                     |
| July 11, 2026*    | June 5                                                            | June 24                    |

# Help for Others



(833)980-7233

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Dear Paxton Consolidated School Patron,

Paxton Consolidated Schools began the Tiger Beef program in 2017. This program partners area Paxton Beef Producers and District patrons with the school to serve Nebraska grown beef for school lunches. After starting the beef program, we have also accepted pork donations as part of the program. We are very fortunate to have local patrons get involved in both of these programs and continue to donate. We would like to invite you to partner with the school and participate in the beef and pork in schools program. Currently in Nebraska many schools are joining forces with area beef and pork producers and patrons to feed students locally grown products.

Participation in the program is not only for the beef and pork producer. Monetary donations can be given in lieu of beef and pork from any patron wishing to participate in the program. Funds are needed to cover the cost of processing or may be given to the school to purchase locally raised beef and pork. All funds can be given directly to the school or through the Paxton Schools Foundation and designated to the Tiger Beef or Pork Program.

Donated beef and pork must be processed in a USDA approved facility in order to be used in schools. The school lunch program uses primarily ground beef in school meals so beef donors can choose to donate all the meat as ground beef or donate a portion of the beef and keep some of the prime cuts if so desired.

In return for your kind donation, producers and patrons will be recognized by the school on the district webpage, school marquee and displayed within the school. Beef and pork production and nutrition education in the classrooms will also evolve as a portion of the program. Donors will be invited to join students for school lunches to enjoy local raised beef and pork on the menu.

If you are interested in learning more about this program or wish to make a donation, please contact Superintendent Del Dack at Paxton Consolidated Schools 308-239-4283 or email [del.dack@paxtonschools.org](mailto:del.dack@paxtonschools.org).

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Del Dack". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Del Dack  
Superintendent

PAXTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

# KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

**MARCH 11, 2026**

## WHEN?

Orientation-- 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
Parent Meeting-- 12:45 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

## WHO?

Anyone who turns 5 before  
July 31, 2026.

## QUESTIONS?

📞 308-239-4283

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