

Agenda

1. Call to Order/Opening the Meeting
 - 1.1. Public Meeting Announcement
 - 1.2. Open Meetings Act posted on South wall of Innovation Lab
 - 1.3. Board Member Attendance Roll Call/Sign Acknowledgment of Receipt Notice
 - 1.4. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.5. Consent Agenda
 - 1.5.1. Consider Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) and Their Approval (appendix A)
 - 1.5.2. Consider Current Bills and Their Approval (appendix B)
 - 1.5.3. Consider Financial Statements/Treasurer's Report (appendix C)
 - 1.6. Community Input
 - 1.7. Celebration of Excellence - Mrs. Penny Birkel & the Trigger Points in US History Class
2. Administrator Reports
 - 2.1. Athletic Director
 - 2.2. Principal
 - 2.3. Superintendent
3. Board Committee Reports
 - 3.1. Facility
 - 3.2. Negotiations
 - 3.3. Transportation
 - 3.4. American Civics - Mrs. Birkel
 - 3.4.1. American Civics Public Comment
4. Discussion/Action Items
 - 4.1. Certificate of Deposit
 - 4.2. Policy 6040
 - 4.3. Superintendent Evaluation
 - 4.4. Superintendent Contract
5. Upcoming Learning Events
 - 5.1. October 20 - Elizabeth Tegtmeier, President of NE School Board, will be at Coal & Feed at 10:00
 - 5.2. State Convention November 18-19
6. Next Meeting - November 10, 2025 at 6:00 pm
7. Closed/Executive Session (if necessary)
8. Adjourn

Board of Education Budget Hearing
Monday, September 15, 2025 6:07 PM Central

Bertrand Community School Media Center
503 School Street
Bertrand, NE 68927

Ross Boggs: Present
Chris Davison: Absent
Isaac Kuck: Absent
Christy Pelton: Present
Jonathan Sand: Present
Ross Winheim: Present
Present: 4, Absent: 2.

Also Present: Nicole LeClaire, Steve Bristol, and Steph Edgren

1. Call Budget Hearing to Order

1.1. Public Meeting Announcement

1.2. Open Meetings Act Is Posted on the South Wall

1.3. Board Member Attendance/Sign the Acknowledgment of Attendance Receipt

Motion to excuse Chris Davison and Isaac Kuck from the Board of Education Budget meeting from the Budget meeting passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Boggs.
Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

2. Accept the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented, passed with a motion by Ross Winheim and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

3. Guest Portion --- Community Input--- None

4. Review and discuss the budget hearing document

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Board of Education Budget Hearing at 6:14 pm, passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Board of Education Tax Request Hearing
(Following the Budget Hearing)
Monday, September 15, 2025 6:15 PM Central

Bertrand Community School Media Center
503 School Street
Bertrand, NE 68927

Ross Boggs: Present

Chris Davison: Absent

Isaac Kuck: Absent

Christy Pelton: Present

Jonathan Sand: Present

Ross Winheim: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

Also present: Nicole LeClaire, Steve Bristol, and Steph Edgren

1. Call Tax Request Hearing to Order and Announce That the Open Meetings Law Act Is Posted on the South Wall

2. Accept the Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda as presented, passed with a motion by Ross Boggs and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

3. Community Input- None

4. Discuss Tax Request Document

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the September 15th Board of Education Tax Request Hearing meeting at 6:26 Passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Board of Education Regular Meeting (Following
the Tax Request Hearing)
Monday, September 15, 2025 6:27 PM Central

Bertrand Community School Media Center
503 School Street
Bertrand, NE 68927

Ross Boggs: Present
Chris Davison: Absent
Isaac Kuck: Absent
Christy Pelton: Present
Jonathan Sand: Present
Ross Winheim: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

Also Present: Nicole LeClaire, Steve Bristol, and Steph Edgren

1. Call to Order/Opening the Meeting

1.1. Public Meeting Announcement

1.2. Open Meetings Act posted on South wall of Media Center

1.3. Board Member Attendance Roll Call/Sign Acknowledgment of Receipt Notice

1.4. Pledge of Allegiance

1.5. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda, passed with a motion by Ross Boggs and a second by Christy Pelton.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea,

Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

1.5.1. Consider Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) and Their Approval (appendix A)

1.5.2. Consider Current Bills and Their Approval (appendix B)

1.5.3. Consider Financial Statements/Treasurer's Report (appendix C)

1.6. Community Input - None

1.7. Celebration of Excellence -None

2. Administrator Reports

2.1. Athletic Director reported on fall sports participation numbers, general participation, activities classifications & district assignments, and this month's activities.

2.2. Principal, Steve Bristol, reported on testing, teacher evaluations, MTSS, and scheduling Grand Parents Day.

2.3. Superintendent, Nicole LeClaire, reported on Bertrand's vision and mission statement, NSCAS test scores, student learning and achievements, professional development, personnel and staff updates, finance and budget, community relations, student activities, policy and compliance, facilities and operations, district goals and priorities, and the assessment calendar.

3. Board Committee Reports

3.1. Facility - None

3.2. Negotiations – None

3.3. Transportation -None

3.4. Americanism - None

4. Discussion/Action Items

4.1. Acceptance of the 2025-2026 budget and tax resolution.

Motion to accept the 2025-2026 budget and tax resolution, passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.2. Policy 1003 - Adoption of Mission & Vision Statement

Motion to adopt the updated Vision Statement, passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.3. Policy 5005 Option Transportation Update

Motion to approve policy 5005 option A, passed with a motion by Ross Winheim and a second by Christy Pelton.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.4. Policy 6040 PK Program – No action taken

4.5. School Based Enterprise - The Viking Grind

Motion to approve the student-based business, The Viking Grind, passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.6. Requested West Gym Roof Quotes

Motion to approve the bid from Springer Roofing in the amount of \$90,820 with the extended warranty, passed with a motion by Ross Boggs and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.7. HVAC Annual Service Agreement

Motion to approve the HVAC annual service agreement with Rutt's Mechanical Services, Inc, passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.8. Recognition of the Bertrand Education Association as exclusive Bargaining Agent for certified staff for 2026-2027 school year.

Motion to on recognizing the BEA as exclusive bargaining agent for the certified staff for 2026-2027 school year, passed with a motion by Ross Boggs and a second by Ross Winheim.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea,

Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.9. Evaluate Investment Options

Motion to authorize the superintendent to compare investment opportunities between the Nebraska Liquid Asset Fund (NLAF) and local bank options, and to authorize the superintendent to explore participation in NLAF if determined to be financially advantageous., passed with a motion by Christy Pelton and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea,
Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

5. Upcoming Learning Events - State Conference November 19-21

6. Next Meeting - October 13, 2025 6:00 PM

Motion to adjourn the regular Board of Education meeting at 7:33 pm and set the next regular Board of Education meeting on October 13th at 6:00 pm, passed with a motion by Ross Winheim and a second by Ross Boggs.

Chris Davison: Absent, Isaac Kuck: Absent, Ross Boggs: Yea, Christy Pelton: Yea, Jonathan Sand: Yea, Ross Winheim: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

7. Closed/Executive Session -none

8. Adjourn

<u>Check #</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor Description</u>	
45082	ACE HARDWARE	482.75	BUILDING/GROUNDS	
45083	ALMQUIST, MALTZAHN, GALLOWAY &	100.00	PLAN MAINT & SUPPLIES	
45084	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	8,521.44	AMAZON SUPPLY PURCHASES	
45085	APPLIED COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY	680.00	TELEPHONE REPAIR	
45086	AUTO SHACK, INC.	204.45	VEHICLE REPAIRS	
45087	BERTRAND HOT LUNCH (PS REIMB)	500.85	PRESCHOOL BREAKFAST	
45088	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	691.15	NATURAL GAS	
45089	BRISTOL, STEVE	100.00	REIMBURSEMENT	
45090	CARHART LUMBER-BURWELL	1,021.96	SHOP	
45091	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING	117.11	CUSTODIAL/CONCESSIONS	
45092	CDL, INC.	2,471.30	MONTHLY SERVICE	
45093	COLUMN SOFTWARE, PBC.	240.17	LEGAL NOTICE PUBLICATION	
45094	CRAIG RESOURCES INC.	3,900.80	SPED HEALTH CARE	
45095	CROSS COUNTRY MARKET	232.28	SUPPLIES	
45096	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	4,272.32	COPIES/SUPPLIES/FURNITURE	
45097	EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #16	150.00	TRAINING	
45098	EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #9	247.37	MTG/DEAF/VISION	
45099	ESU #11	643.93	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY SERVICES	
	AUTO FIRST STATE BANK	35.00	MONTHLY ACH FEE	
45100	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	241.50	TELEPHONE	
45101	GENERAL FUND CLEARING	1,562.73	REIMBURSEMENT	
45102	GREEN LANDSCAPES INC.	725.00	GROUNDS	
45103	HOMETOWN LEASING	1,811.16	COPIER PAYMENT	
45104	INSPIRE REHABILITATION, LLC	339.00	SPED PT	
45105	JW PEPPER	192.49	MUSIC SUPPLIES	
45106	LECLAIRE, NICOLE	70.18	TELEPHONE REIMB.	
45107	LEXINGTON REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER	309.34	PHYSICAL/COUNSELING	
45108	LITERACY RESOURCES, LLC	169.10	HEGGERTY	
45109	MCGRAW-HILL LLC	4,113.08	TEXTBOOKS	
45110	MENARDS	3,132.92	BLDG MAINT & SUPPLIES	
45111	MID AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL,	1,198.73	CLEANING & MAINTENANCE	
45112	MID-WEST BARRIER, LLC	345.00	DOORS & DOOR REPAIR	
45113	MOSYLE CORPORATION	526.91	LICENSE FEE	
45114	NCS PEARSON INC.,	553.00	PSYCH/SPED/SPEECH MATERIALS	
45115	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADM	140.00	MEETING	
45116	PERMA-BOUND	11.09	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	
45117	PRO BUILDING SUPPLY INC.	648.34	INSTRUCTION EXP.	
45118	PROTEX CENTRAL INC.	13,494.22	SECURITY SYSTEM	
45119	REALLY GOOD STUFF	50.42	SUPPLIES	
45120	RELIABLE PEST CONTROL SERVICES	62.00	BUILDING MAINTENANCE	
45121	SOUTH CENTRAL SANITATION	958.86	WASTE BINS	
45122	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	6,645.00	ELECTRICITY	
45123	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	75.08	INSTRUCTION/CUSTODIAL	
45124	TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC	2,326.25	PRESCHOOL SYSTEM	
45125	TECH MASTERS INC.	280.00	EQUIP REPAIR	
	AUTO TIME MANAGEMENT SYS	250.29	TIME CARD SYSTEM	
45126	US BANK	7,181.54	CREDIT CARD CHARGES	
45127	VERIZON WIRELESS	125.02	CELL PHONE	
45128	VILLAGE OF BERTRAND	819.87	WATER/SEWER/TRASH/	
45129	WINDSTREAM	79.77	DISTANCE LEARNING	
			OCTOBER 2025 BILLS:	\$73,050.77
			OCTOBER 2025 PAYROLL:	\$380,321.63
			OCTOBER 2025 TOTAL	\$453,372.40

GENERAL FUND CLEARING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

GFC

\$	DATE	CK#	TO	ACCT #	DESCRIPTION
240.00	09/09/25	4373	Crane River Theater	11100810001000	Field Trip
77.25	09/15/25	4374	Gokies Daylight Donut	11100890001000	Staff Meeting
800.00	09/17/25	4375	Toby Thompson	11370	Refund PS Tuition
78.73	09/17/25	4376	Scott Schwarz	11100610001110	Supplies
84.00	09/25/25	4277	Studio B Photography	11100890001000	Band, Choir, Speech
60.00	09/25/25	4278	Minden Chamber	11100810001000	Bandfest
25.00	09/25/25	4379	Holdrege Schools	11100810001000	JH Quiz bowl
25.00	09/25/25	4380	Holdrege Schools	11100810002000	Elem Quiz Bowl
25.00	09/25/25	4381	Loomis Schools	11100810002000	Elem Quiz Bowl
147.75	09/25/25	4382	US Post Office	12510531000000	Newsletter

1,562.73

BERTRAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENT	BALANCE
GENERAL FUND			
(Checking & Money Market)			
Balance AUGUST 31, 2025			<u>\$4,238,855.10</u>
Receipts	\$619,089.60		
Disbursements			
Bills & Payroll		\$452,710.97	
Purchased CD		\$1,500,000.00	
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$2,905,233.73</u>
ACTIVITY FUND			
Balance AUGUST 31, 2025			<u>\$168,763.32</u>
Receipts	\$33,904.05		
Disbursements		\$18,808.13	
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$183,859.24</u>
ATHLETIC FUND			
Balance AUGUST 31, 2025			\$84,951.77
Receipts	\$5,078.00		
Disbursements		\$19,281.66	
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$70,748.11</u>
DEPRECIATION FUND			
(Bus Replacement)			
Balance AUGUST 31, 2025			<u>\$716,136.76</u>
Interest	\$634.41		
Disbursements			
JTD - commercial oven		\$1,500.00	
CBS-Bleacher down pymt		\$18,987.50	
CBS-Bleacher final pymt		\$32,844.50	
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$663,439.17</u>
BUILDING FUND (Regular)			
Balance AUGUST 31, 2025			<u>\$1,822,403.94</u>
Receipts			
Gosper Co.	\$35,416.80		
Phelps Co.	\$33,971.25		
Interest	\$763.33		
Disbursements			
Morton Buildings-Crow's Nest		\$19,257.00	
Yanda's-Crows Nest		\$1,605.17	
Evans Construction-Demo		\$10,142.00	
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$1,861,551.15</u>
BOND FUND			
Receipts	\$26,400.20		<u>\$338,526.96</u>
Disbursements			
None			
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$364,927.16</u>
QCPF-2			
Receipts	\$33,907.45		<u>\$342,195.64</u>
Disbursements			
None			
Balance SEPTEMBER 30, 2025			<u>\$376,103.09</u>
HISTORICAL INFORMATION			
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
General	\$1,908,279	\$2,376,893	3,116,032
Depreciation/Bus Replacement	\$471,504	\$545,945	610,115
Building	\$585,012	\$1,003,333	1,418,860
Bond	\$323,659	\$344,587	348,924
QCPF #2	\$392,619	\$373,276	358,128

Cash Receipt Listing by Received From

Receipt Number	Received From	Receipt Date	Cash Receipt Description	Chart of Account Number	Detail Description	Amount
0911-01		09/11/2025	EFT Dept of Treas - REAP	01 4310	REAP	23,822.00
0915-01		09/15/2025	EFT ESU 11 - Perkins	01 4525	Perkins	1,595.00
1908		09/17/2025	Hot Lunch Salary Reimb.	01 101	Salary Reimb.	13,654.56
1909		09/17/2025	PS Tuition	01 1370	Kopf, Wilken	200.00
1909		09/17/2025	Pelton	01 453	Ins. Reimb.	1,686.37
0926-01		09/26/2025	EFT ST of NE-MAC	01 4709	MAC	306.52
1910		09/29/2025	Tool Sale	01 5690	Tool Sale	1,245.00
1910		09/29/2025	Preschool Tuition	01 1370	Evans, Wilken	300.00
1910		09/29/2025	Ins. Reimb.	01 453	Boggs	89.61
0930-01		09/30/2025	EFT ST of NE - St Aid	01 3110	State Aid	40,455.00
0930-02		09/30/2025	Interest on Acct	01 1510	Interest on Acct	3,757.01
Total:						87,111.07
09092025	GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER	09/09/2025	County Taxes	01 1100	Taxes	264,440.44
09092025	GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER	09/09/2025	County Taxes	01 1125	Motor Vehicle	3,809.97
09092025	GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER	09/09/2025	County Taxes	01 1115	Carline	3.29
09092025	GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER	09/09/2025	County Taxes	01 2110	Fines	455.61
09092025	GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER	09/09/2025	County Taxes	01 3990	In lieu G&P	1,908.00
GOSPTREAS GOSPER CO TREASURER Total:						270,617.31
1907	PHELPTREAS PHELPS CO. TREASURER	09/16/2025	County Taxes	01 1100	Taxes	253,647.41
1907	PHELPTREAS PHELPS CO. TREASURER	09/16/2025	County Taxes	01 1125	Motor Vehicle	7,167.52
1907	PHELPTREAS PHELPS CO. TREASURER	09/16/2025	County Taxes	01 1115	Carline	2.57
1907	PHELPTREAS PHELPS CO. TREASURER	09/16/2025	County Taxes	01 2110	Fines	536.27
PHELPTREAS PHELPS CO. TREASURER Total:						261,353.77

Summary Totals

Account Type	Cash Accounts	Receivable Accounts
Subtotal Revenue	603,651.61	619,082.15
Subtotal Expense		
Subtotal General Ledger	15,430.54	619,082.15
Account Total	619,082.15	
Total:		619,082.15

**Bertrand Community School
Hot Lunch September
2024-2025**

Cash Balance 8/31/2025 **\$89,085.60**

Receipts

Student Lunches	\$7,618.55
General Fund	\$0.00
Noon Duty	\$0.00
State Reimb.	\$6,934.73
Adult	
Roll	\$0.00
Preschool	\$0.00
Rebate	
Reimbursement	\$0.00

Total Receipts **\$14,553.28**

Total Available **\$103,638.88**

Expenditures

Food	\$17,626.40
Salary	\$9,230.48
SS	\$376.02
Medicare	\$87.93
Retirement	\$738.55
Insurance	\$3,221.58
Equipment/Improvements/Supplies	\$376.28
Other	\$0.00

Total Expenditures **\$31,657.24**

Cash Balance 9/30/2024 **\$71,981.64**

<u>Chart of Account Number</u>	<u>Chart of Account Description</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Balance Change</u>	<u>Balance</u>
05 704 8101	FUND BALANCE/GENERAL	6,029.09	86.86	0.00	0.00	5,942.23
05 704 8102	FUND BALANCE/LIBRARY	982.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	982.84
05 704 8103	FUND BALANCE/POP MACHINE	(266.25)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(266.25)
05 704 8104	FUND BALANCE/AG EDUCATION	3,550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,550.00
05 704 8105	FUND BALANCE/SHOP - WOODS	5,987.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,987.38
05 704 8106	FUND BALANCE/CLASS 2028	1,802.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,802.11
05 704 8107	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2021	1,458.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,458.55
05 704 8108	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2023	47.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	47.60
05 704 8109	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2024	1,334.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,334.00
05 704 8110	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2025	963.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	963.43
05 704 8111	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2026	547.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	547.27
05 704 8112	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2027	5,464.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,464.08
05 704 8113	FUND BALANCE/CLASS OF 2032	340.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	340.00
05 704 8114	FUND BALANCE/B CLUB	19,454.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,454.90
05 704 8116	FUND BALANCE/NHS	7,108.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,108.63
05 704 8117	FUND BALANCE/STUDENT COUNCIL	1,725.95	98.00	0.00	0.00	1,627.95
05 704 8120	FUND BALANCE/BAND	2,119.16	6,755.00	15,090.00	0.00	10,454.16
05 704 8121	FUND BALANCE/CONCESSIONS	0.00	8,197.31	10,378.83	0.00	2,181.52
05 704 8122	FUND BALANCE/BCSVSO	1,883.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,883.85
05 704 8126	FUND BALANCE/PLAY	921.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	921.23
05 704 8130	FUND BALANCE/READING ENRICH	4,635.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,635.66
05 704 8135	FUND BALANCE/SPEECH	110.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	110.41
05 704 8136	FUND BALANCE/INST. RENTAL	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
05 704 8137	FUND BALANCE-STUDENT FEES	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.00
05 704 8144	FUND BALANCE-YEARBOOK 2022-2023	(160.07)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(160.07)
05 704 8145	FUND BALANCE YEARBOOK 2023-2024	(1,798.73)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,798.73)
05 704 8146	FUND BALANCE YEARBOOK 24-25	2,022.33	2,923.96	3,435.22	0.00	2,533.59
05 704 8148	FUND BALANCE/ELEM GRANT	1,310.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,310.06
05 704 8149	FUND BALANCE - JEANS FUND	3,261.44	497.00	0.00	0.00	2,764.44
05 704 8150	FUND BALANCE-GREENHOUSE DONATIONS	239.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	239.29
05 704 8151	FUND BALANCE BEEF BOOSTERS FTF	(184.02)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(184.02)
05 704 8152	FUND BALANCE - ART PROJECTS	1,045.58	250.00	0.00	0.00	795.58
05 704 8154	FUND BALANCE - DIABETES SUPPLIES	1,268.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,268.18
05 704 8155	FUND BALANCE-IPAD INSURANCE	69,568.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	69,568.84
05 704 8160	FUND BALANCE BLEACHERS	19,118.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	24,118.00
05 704 8175	FUND BALANCE/CONCESSIONS HOLDING	6,617.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,617.53
	Fund Total:	188,763.32	18,808.13	33,904.05	0.00	183,859.24

Activity Fund Balance Report - Summary - Exclude Encumbrances
 09/2025 - 09/2025

Chart of Account Number	Chart of Account Description	Beginning Balance	Expenses	Revenues	Balance Change	Balance
04 704	FUND BALANCE	40,347.93	0.00	0.00	5,037.46	45,385.39
04 704 9101	ATH GATE FUND BALANCE	19,672.02	0.00	3,078.00	(19,672.02)	3,078.00
04 704 9102	ATH MISC. FUND BALANCE	20,925.96	7,681.88	0.00	(20,925.96)	(7,681.88)
04 704 9103	ATH OFFICIALS FUND BALANCE	(18,825.00)	7,960.00	0.00	18,825.00	(7,960.00)
04 704 9104	ATH MEET FUND BALANCE	(342.14)	736.00	0.00	342.14	(736.00)
04 704 9105	ATH EQUIPMENT FUND BALANCE	(16,393.38)	164.00	0.00	16,393.38	(164.00)
04 704 9120	ATH VOLLEYBALL FUND BALANCE	3,456.95	482.78	0.00	0.00	2,974.17
04 704 9121	ATH FOOTBALL FUND BALANCE	4,909.39	257.00	0.00	0.00	4,652.39
04 704 9122	ATH BOY BB FUND BALANCE	918.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	918.18
04 704 9123	ATH GIRLS BB FUND BALANCE	3,549.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,549.49
04 704 9124	ATH CC FUND BALANCE	864.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	864.76
04 704 9125	ATH CHEERLEADERS FUND BALANCE	3,762.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,762.96
04 704 9126	ATH TRACK FUND BALANCE	8,469.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,469.00
04 704 9127	FUND BALANCE - GOLF	1,906.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,906.58
04 704 9128	ATH WR FUND BALANCE	1,060.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,060.08
04 704 9140	ATH VIKING STORE FUND BALANCE	3,788.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,788.62
04 704 9141	ATH DONATED FUNDS BALANCE	7,266.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,266.96
04 704 9150	ATH. VIKING BOOSTER CLUB FUND BALANCE	(386.59)	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(386.59)
Fund Total: 04		84,951.77	19,281.66	5,078.00	0.00	70,748.11

ACTIVITIES CLASSIFICATIONS & DISTRICT ASSIGNMENTS

Play Production
D1-5 at Wilcox-Hildreth
Date: Monday, Dec. 1, 2025

Schools Assigned: (Order of Performance)
Southwest
Loomis
Shelton
Wilcox-Hildreth
Axtell
Bertrand
Hitchcock County

Speech
Classification: D1
District Date: TBA

Schools Assigned
TBA

Boys Wrestling
D - TBA
District: Feb 13 - 14

Schools Assigned:
TBA

Girls Wrestling
B - TBA
District: Feb 6 - 7

Schools Assigned:
TBA

Basketball - Girls
Classification not released yet
Sub District dates: Feb. 16, 17, 19

Schools Assigned (G):

Basketball - Boys
Classification not released yet
Sub Districts dates: Feb. 23, 24, 26

Schools Assigned:

This month's activities

- THU OCT 16 — CC: District Meet @ Cambridge - 3:00
— VB: RPAC 1st Round - TBA
- FRI OCT 17 — VFB vs. Maywood/HC (Home) - 7:00
- MON OCT 20 — VVB: RPAC Tournament 2nd - TBA
- TUE OCT 21 — VVB: RPAC Tournament @ McCook Community College - TBD
- WED OCT 22 — FFA: National Convention in Indianapolis
- THU OCT 23 — FB: 1st Round State Playoffs - TBA
— FFA: National Convention in Indianapolis
- FRI OCT 24 — NO SCHOOL (Fall Break)
— CC: State Meet in Kearney - 12:00 (Girls); 1:00 (Boys)
— FFA: National Convention in Indianapolis
- SAT OCT 25 — VBC Youth VB Tournament
— FFA: National Convention in Indianapolis
- MON OCT 27 — VVB: D2 - 8 Sub Dist Tournament @ Highest Seed - TBA (most likely Cambridge)
- TUE OCT 28 — VVB: D2 - 8 Sub Dist Tournament @ Highest Seed - TBA
- FRI OCT 31 — FB: 2nd Round State Playoffs - TBA
- SAT NOV 1 — VVB: District Final - TBA
- WED NOV 5 — VB: State Tournament in Lincoln - TBA
- THU NOV 6 — VB: State Tournament in Lincoln - TBA
— 1:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service
- FRI NOV 7 — VB: State Tournament in Lincoln - TBA
— FB: State Quarterfinals—TBA
- SAT NOV 8 — VB: State Tournament in Lincoln - TBA
- TUE NOV 11 — Veteran's Day Program - 2:00

Principal's Report October 2025

- **Parent Teacher Conferences** - On October 2nd, Parent Teacher Conferences were held from 3:30-7:00 pm. Parent or Guardian Attendance for 7-12 was 76% up from 70% in 2024. K-6 attendance was 95% which was the same as 2024.

- **Transportation Committee** will meet to discuss the state of the fleet.
- **B & S Concrete** was going to roll into Bertrand on October 3rd to complete the East side project. They were a no show and I'm waiting on an explanation as to why they weren't able to make it.
- **Transportation Committee:** will meet prior to the board meeting to discuss the situation of the buses, bus 20.



MONDAY
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BERTRAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Vision & Mission

Honor Tradition. Inspire the Future.

Rooted in the values, strength, and tradition of our Nebraska community and guided by a dedicated and passionate staff, Bertrand Community School is nurturing a vibrant, future-focused learning environment in which all students are equipped with the skills, knowledge, and character to shape their future as thoughtful, responsible citizens.

Student Learning & Achievement

Intervention Block Boosts Literacy Growth

Bertrand's daily Intervention Block is showing strong progress in reading and ELA across all grades. Using DIBELS, MAP Growth, and classroom assessments, teachers target specific skills like phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension to meet each student's needs.

Underperforming students are progress monitored every two weeks to track growth and adjust instruction quickly. Results show steady gains in reading fluency and comprehension—moving us closer to our district literacy goals.

As students progress or exceed goals, interventions are adjusted for further exploration or enrichment.

BOY MAPs Testing Complete

Fall MAP Growth assessments are now complete for students in grades K–9, providing a clear baseline of academic performance in reading, language, and math. Teachers are using this data to identify strengths, address skill gaps, and set growth goals for the year.

In addition, 10th graders will take the PreACT and 11th graders will take the ACT in the Spring as part of our ongoing college and career readiness efforts.

Seniors will not be tested.

These assessments together give us a comprehensive picture of student learning and serve as our starting point for tracking progress and celebrating growth throughout the year.

CELEBRATION!!

Grades K-5, 8, 9 are **ABOVE** National Averages in **ALL** tested content areas (Math, Reading, Language Arts, Science)

Grades 7 & 8 are **ABOVE** National Average in Science



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Personnel & Staff Updates

Negotiation Season begins in November.

Finance & Budget

Annual Budget has been submitted to all required entities.

Annual Audit should be out anytime.

I am working numbers and projections for negotiations and will have that to the committee prior to November 1st.

Policy & Compliance

Nothing to Report

Student Activities

College Week kicked off today with daily events for our seniors to prepare for college and financial aid. A silent auction will be held at the football game Friday and all proceeds will go towards scholarships for our seniors.

Veteran's Day Program is scheduled for 2:00 on November 11th. Senator Lonowski will be the guest speaker.

Community Relations

I have joined the Bertrand Area Community Fund Advisory Board to strengthen ties with the community and act as a liaison between the school and the BACF.

Professional Development

All teachers attended the ESU11 Collaboration Day on October 6th.

Several teachers are completing graduate coursework and 3 will earn Masters degrees before the start of the school year.

Amy Schutz & I attended the Assessment Roadshow on October 8th

Stefanie McCain attended the NEMTSS Summit on Oct. 9th

Anna Gardine, McKaylla Christian, & I will attend the NE Teachers of Science Conference in Lincoln on Thursday & Friday.

Anna Gardine & I will attend the CTE VISION Conference in Nashville in December

Facilities & Operations

Shop Project - Exploring Construction Options

Access Points Installation/Updates complete (East Door)

Testing has begun on drinking water for lead using a state grant for free testing kits

Carl Dietz will conduct our Annual Safety Review required by Rule 10.



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BERTRAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

District Goals & Priorities Update

Mission & Vision Statements

*PBIS Expectations in progress - V*I*K*I*N*G*

Data Review at September Inservice

PD Alignment to CIP Goals - WAITING ON STATE DETERMINATIONS

Tier One Expectations included in Weekly Update

Staff are engaging with MTSS/CIP work and we are making steady progress

October's update will include MAPs data & progress monitoring results

Give 2 Grow Campaign

The Annual Give 2 Grow Campaign kicks off today. All donations will go toward the Bleacher Project.

Upcoming Professional Learning

School Safety Summit

October 16 (In Person or Virtual) NCSA Office, Lincoln

NE Fall Ed Tech Conference

November 3 YCC South, Kearney

****State Education Conference**

November 19-21 Lincoln

State Principal's Conference

December 3-4 Lincoln

Legislative Preview (In Person or Virtual)

December 10 Lincoln

Assessment Calendar

Pre-ACT (10) - Spring (TBD)

ACT (11) - April 7

NSCAS (3-8) - March 23 - May 1 Window

EXCITING DEVELOPMENTS

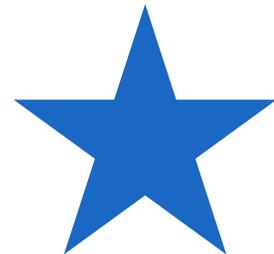
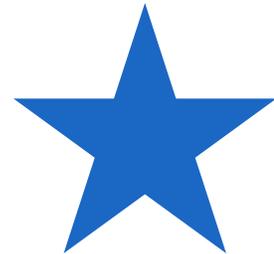
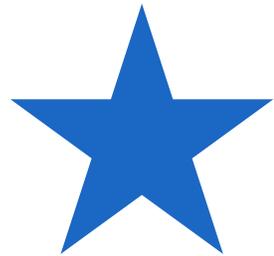
THE VIKING GRIND OPENS SATURDAY! We will do a soft opening at the Bertrand Craft Fair with a limited menu of espresso, coffee, & smoothies.

FAMILY LITERACY INITIATIVE - As part of our Birth to 5 literacy initiative and with support from our Comprehensive Literacy Grant, our PreK families (both at school and in the community) will be provided with Family Literacy Kits that will include books, activities, games, & lessons for families. We hope to begin distributing the first month of kits in November and will continue every month through May.

AMERICANISM AT BERTRAND

"YOUTH ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME COMPETENT, RESPONSIBLE, PATRIOTIC, AND CIVIL CITIZENS."

- ALL 8TH GRADE AND 12TH GRADE STUDENTS TAKE THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE CITIZENSHIP TEST
- COMPLETION OF A PRESENTATION OF A HOLIDAY (VETERANS DAY)
- VETERAN INTERVIEWS, VETERANS DAY PROGRAM
- DEVELOPMENT OF RESPECT FOR THE AMERICAN FLAG
- NHS MEMBER LEADS THE SCHOOL IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE EACH MORNING
- VARIOUS PROJECTS WITHIN CLASSES
- NEW CLASS OFFERED THIS YEAR (TRIGGERED POINTS) TO STRESS THE MILITARY CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE NATION'S WARS
- 7TH GRADE COMPLETED A CONSTITUTION PROJECT WITH DISCUSSION ON THE BILL OF RIGHTS



PENNY BIRKEL
7-12 SOCIAL STUDIES



Prekindergarten (Preschool or Early Childhood) Program

The school board establishes a program to provide prekindergarten services to resident students, also referred to as an early childhood or preschool program. The school district will provide the program in compliance with state law and 92 NAC 11 (Nebraska Department of Education "Rule 11"). The availability of the program is subject to the district being able to employ and retain appropriate and qualified personnel.

Purpose. The purpose of the program is to promote the social, emotional, intellectual, language, physical, and aesthetic development and learning for the children served and to promote family development and support.

Age Participation. The program will be available to children of the following ages:

- Children who are 3 years of age before July 31 of the enrollment year;
- Children who are 4 years of age at the start of the enrollment year; and
- Children who are 5 years of age at the start of the enrollment year, so long as they do not turn 6 years of age prior to January 1 of that year (subject to the participation limitation below).

All enrollment is subject to capacity limitations and enrollment priorities established in this policy. Three-year-old children will only be offered half-day attendance.

Delete

Five-Year-Old Participation. Participation of 5-year-old students who will not turn 6 prior to January 1 of the enrollment year will be further limited to those students who have a raw score lower than ____ on the [INSERT SCREENING TOOL(S)].

Add

Participation of 5-year-old students who will not turn 6 prior to January 1 of the enrollment year will be further limited to those students who have been determined eligible by the principal.

The maximum capacity for the program is 15 children; rises above 15

Capacity Limitation. The maximum capacity for the program is ____ children. In the event where the total number of children registered for the program by July 15 rises above ____, the district will only offer the program to children with the following priority for enrollment:

- 4-year-olds;
 - "At-risk" children (as defined by Rule 11);
 - Qualified five-year-old students; and
- Three-year-olds.

If the program is at capacity after July 15, further enrollment applications will be denied. Exception: If an "at-risk child" (as defined by Rule 11) moves into the district and the program is at capacity, the child will be enrolled in the program. The youngest child in the class that is not "at risk" will be withdrawn from the program.

Program Coordinator. The program will be coordinated by a an individual qualified by law to be a Program Coordinator.

Program and Staff Requirements. All teachers and administrators in prekindergarten programs must hold a valid certificate or permit to teach issued by NDE except as otherwise allowed by law or Rule 11.

Participation and Inclusion. Participation of children and families in the program will be voluntary. The program will not exclude children verified as having disabilities and will include to the extent possible children of diverse social and economic characteristics.

Birth Certificates. Within 30 days of enrollment, parents or guardians must submit a certified copy of the child's birth certificate or other documentation in compliance with the Missing Children Identification Act (sections 43-2001 through 43-2012).

Instructional Hours. Each class in the program will operate a minimum of 12 instructional hours per week during the school year. Programs receiving grant funds pursuant to state law will operate a minimum of 450 instructional hours per school year.

Fees. The district may charge a fee for its program in accordance with the Policy 5045 - Student Fees, provided that the fee may not exceed the actual cost of the program. If the district charges a fee, it will also use a sliding fee scale in order to maximize the participation of economically and categorically diverse groups. The district may waive fees on the basis of need.

General Reports. The head administrator will include information about the program in the NDE approved data system. All early childhood data is due as specified by the data system calendar.

Early Childhood Program Report. An Early Childhood Program Report Form will be submitted annually by October 15 on the form required by NDE.

Planning. Each program will have a planning period that complies with the requirements of Rule 11.

Coordination with Existing Programs and Funding Sources. The district will develop, and keep on file, a written plan to show that the program will be coordinated or contracted with existing programs in compliance with Rule 11 requirements. The district will develop and keep on file a written plan to coordinate and use a combination of local, state, and federal funding sources including, but not limited to, those listed in Rule 11 in order to maximize the participation of economically and categorically diverse groups of children and to ensure that participating children and families have access to knowledge of comprehensive services that may be available.

Additional Rule 11 Requirements. Rule 11 includes additional requirements that are not included in this policy, including but not limited to requirements addressing family development and support; developmentally and culturally appropriate curriculum, practices, and assessment; evaluation and quality assurance; program staff; child/staff ration and group size; facilities, equipment, health, and safety; meals and snacks, immunizations; supervision; toileting; infants and toddlers; Sixpence programs; and home-based programs. The district will comply with these additional requirements that are applicable to the program.

Special Education Act Compliance. Nothing in this policy allows the school district to fail to meet its responsibilities under the Special Education Act (section 79-1110 through 79-1167). To the extent there is any conflict between this policy or Rule 11 with the Special Education Act, the Act shall control.

Adopted on: 7/15/2024

Revised on: _____

Reviewed on: _____