



DUKE NEWS

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL —

Class Officers Chosen

Each year, the students from each grade vote on their class officers (based on a list of students who show interest and put in an application). Mr. Heitz and Mr. Herman often get input and feedback from these students, and we bounce ideas off of each other. We discuss upcoming events or issues that might be happening in the building. The officers serve as good representatives for their class.

The Class Officers for 2022-2023 are:

Senior Class: Lily Nuss, President; Hattie Chavanu, Vice-President; Austin Phinney, Secretary/Treasurer
Junior Class: Lily Kowalski, President; Kassidy Stuckey, Vice-President; Skylar Huber Secretary/Treasurer
Sophomore Class: Tyler Howe, President; Taylor Peters, Vice-President; Elle Malleck, Secretary/Treasurer
Freshman Class: Kali Wardyn, President; Ava Goodwin, Vice-President; Maggie McCarthy, Secretary/Treasurer

ICU and Infinite Campus Reminders

YPS has been working with the ICU system now for several years. In fact, students who are freshmen or sophomores this year have experienced ICU since they were at YES!

A few reminders for parents:

- We have a new ICU lifeguard. Ms. Reni Johnson has been assisting students throughout the day in study halls, lunch periods, and various other times during the school day.
- Notification: YOU should be getting a text and an email when your student is placed on the ICU. If you would like us to change the cell number or email address, let us know and we can get it changed. At this point, we are only able to send it to one number and one email address.
- Grades AND ASSIGNMENTS can always be checked (by parents and students) on Infinite Campus. Anyone that doesn't know how to do this, please feel free to contact the office and we can give you your username and password.

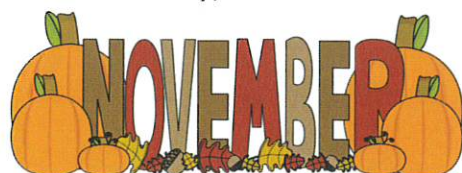
"Between Seasons"

We are at that point of the year that many teachers (especially those that are coaches) refer to as "between seasons." Cross Country, Softball, Boys Tennis, and Girls Golf seasons have come to a close, in many cases, with very successful seasons! As of the writing of this article, Volleyball and Football have now entered post-season play and will be wrapped up by mid-to-late November.

Even though we refer to it as "between seasons," things are still very busy at YHS! One-Act season is getting busy with performances (performance for parents/public on November 1, and for the K-Dub competition on November 12), as Districts are in late November/early December. Unified Bowling is beginning in November, and FFA has it's annual Harvest Moon on November 6.

By the time December hits, we'll be full speed ahead in basketball, wrestling, and bowling seasons, not to mention winter concerts, Madrigal Dinner, etc. When you think about it that way, the first semester is almost over!

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Winter Sports

The winter sports season officially begins on Monday, November 14th. If you did not compete in a fall sport, make sure you turn in your physical and NSAA consent form to the main office before the first day of practice. If you have any questions or need these forms, please visit the main office at the high school.

This is the time of year where students are involved in multiple activities. Please remember to communicate early and often with your coaches if you know of a conflict. While we make every effort to allow kids to participate in multiple events, there are times when students must choose one or the other.

District Hosts

We are always excited to host NSAA District events at York High School. On Friday, December 2nd, we will be hosting the B-2 District Play Production competition. Performances begin at 9:00 am. In addition to York High, the other schools participating are Crete, Lincoln Northwest, Raymond Central, Seward, Beatrice, Fairbury, and Central City.

Go Dukes!!

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WINTER SPORTS MEETING

Our Winter Sports Meeting for athletes involved in winter activities will be on **Tuesday, November 15th at 7:00 pm.** Mr. Herman will send out a Loom video discussing rules, regulations, and philosophies. From 7:00-7:30 pm parents will meet with the coach(es) of the sport that their son/daughter will be participating in to discuss any further information that pertains to that sport. Girls basketball will meet in the media center, boys basketball will meet in the aux gym, boys and girls wrestling will meet in the cafeteria, and bowling will meet in the theater.



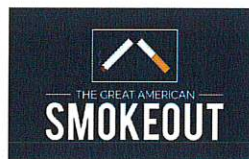
If your child did not have his/her school picture taken or if he/she is not satisfied with their picture, retakes will be on **Tuesday, November 8th** starting at **7:30 am** on the gym deck.

Winter Sports Pictures

Tuesday, November 22 — Aux Gym

Boys Basketball — after school
Girls Basketball — after school
Boys Wrestling — after school
Girls Wrestling — after school
Dukettes — after school
Bowling — after school
Unified Bowling — after school

The Great American Smokeout is November 17th. This is a national 'day' hosted by the American Cancer Society, providing an opportunity for



individuals who smoke to commit to healthier smoke-free lives. It is never too late to quit smoking.

Notice of Nondiscrimination

It is the policy of York Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of gender, disability, race, color, religion, marital status, age, or national origin in its educational programs, administration, policies, employment, or other district programs.

2022 ONE-ACT PRODUCTION

What an exciting time to be a DUKE! The cast and crew for the York One-Act are venturing back to the 1920's this season with their production of *Bullets Over Broadway*. Loaded with big laughs, colorful characters and the songs that made the '20s roar, *Bullets over Broadway The Musical* is bringing musical comedy back with a bang. Based on the screenplay of the acclaimed 1994 film by Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath, this six-time Tony-nominated musical features existing hits from the 1920s, with live music from our students! *Bullets over Broadway* is a love letter to the Golden Age of Broadway, filled with unforgettable songs that audiences remember and love. With a handful of over-the-top character roles and a high-stepping ensemble, this is a big, splashy and wildly entertaining production.

The mob scene was rampant in New York in the 1920. Crime is happening at all corners! Struggling Broadway playwright David Shayne (Trey Harms) has moved to New York with his girlfriend, Ellen Tarry (Angelina Shaw), but has failed to secure financing for his latest work, Shayne reluctantly makes a deal with mob boss Nick Valenti (Charlie Van Gomple) with the help of his agent Julian Marx (Anthony White) and wife Hilda Marx (Madi Miller). Shayne is excited for a Broadway debut with the chance to direct, but the deal is he will only get the money as long as Nick's flibbertigibbet girlfriend, Olive (Hattie Chavanu), plays one of the lead roles. As Olive and stars Helen Sinclair (Grace Uhler), Warner Purcell (Ethan Montgomery), and Eden Brent (Raima Kreifels) attempt to upstage each other, Olive's gangland bodyguard Cheech (Cole Schmid) starts suggesting changes to David's script. Will this show ever make it to Broadway?

The show was directed and adapted for the stage by Becky Stahr, Paige Manley, and Clare Bierbaum. Live music will be played under the direction of Trey Harms, Ethan Montgomery, and Claire Uhler. Sound and light design led by Caden Ost and Emily Ready. Scenic design led by Gabby Acosta, Allie Colburn, Reagan Crowdell, and Maddie Chapman. Hair and makeup designs led by Jessah Linden and Moriah Eikenhorst. Promotions led by Alexis Davis and Sophia Becker. Our costume captains are Angelina Shaw and Cecelia Asti. Props captain is Hadley Eckert. Dance captains are Martha Huskins and Ava Goodwin. Ensemble captains are Emory Flynt and Riley Philipp. This show does contain a strong subject matter, simulated weapons, and strobe lighting. It will be thirty minutes long.

The one-act program could not be more excited to start our competition season in November. The cast and crew has already learned a lot by studying this historical time period and have been working hard since August. They can not wait to bring this story to life on the stage! The one-act team would love to have the York community come out and support our team members at every contest and performance possible. Thank you all for your continued support of this program. See you at the show! Go Dukes!

One-Act Dates

November 1 - Public Performance @ 8 pm / Parent Meal @ 6 pm

November 5 - Norfolk Play Production Contest @ 12:30 pm

November 11-12 - York's K-DUB Play Production Contest @ 8:00 am on November 12

November 15 - Gothenburg Play Production Contest @ 1:00 pm

November 19 - Conference Play Production at Lexington - TBA

November 21 - Triangular @ Hartington-Newcastle - TBA

November 29 - School Performance @ 2:30 pm / Public Performance @ 8:00 pm

December 2 - NSAA Class B District Play Production at York @ 1:30 pm

December 9 - Class B State Play Production @ Norfolk (Must Qualify) @ 11:30 am

December 14 - After Party in the Lunch Commons / Cleanup Theatre

Director - Becky Stahr

Technical Directors - Paige Manley and Clare Bierbaum

Assistant Director - Brian Stahr

*Bullets
over
Broadway*

YORK HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS!

Special Points of Interest:

- All State Choir
- Madrigal Dinner
- Marching Band Results
- Upcoming Events
- Band Booster Notes



Marching Band Results

The High School Marching Band completed their marching season. They competed at Harvest of Harmony, Minden Bandfest, and NSBA State Marching Festival. The band earned excellent ratings on their first outings and worked diligently to earn a superior rating at State Marching Festival. The band completed their quarter with a concert at the High School on October 24th.

All State Choir

The YHS music department is very pleased to announce that Leah Davis has been accepted, by audition, to perform in this year's Nebraska All State Choir. She will be rehearsing with the finest singers from across the state of Nebraska from November 16th - 18th. A concert will be given on November 18th at the Lied Center for Performing Arts in Lincoln. Madi Miller was also accepted as an alternate. Congratulations to Leah & Madi!

Madrigal Dinner

This year the Chamber Singers will be preparing and performing a Madrigal Dinner, Little Fools Fall in Love, on December 3rd & 4th at the First United Methodist Church. This is going to be a great event. It will be a renaissance style, dinner theater with singing, acting, comedy and dinner. Tickets will go on sale to the public on Friday, November 11th. They will be available in the YHS Office. This is an event you don't want to miss!

Upcoming Events

The band is preparing music for Veteran's Day, pep band, and the December 6th Winter Concert. We thank you for the support to the band program.

Band Booster Notes

The Annual Band Booster Soup Supper will be December 6th. Band parents/guardians, please look for the Sign Up Genius for the soup supper. We will need individuals to serve soup, bring vegetables, and many other tasks. If you don't see the Sign Up Genius in your inbox by November 11th, please let me know and we can get you added. My contact is trhusker@gmail.com.



NO SCHOOL

Thanksgiving Break

will be
Wednesday, November 23rd,
Thursday, November 24th and
Friday, November 25th.

Have an enjoyable Thanksgiving Break!



POST-PROM

The Post-Prom Committee
needs your help!

Please call Kelly Hornbacher at
402-631-8209 if you would be able to help
with Post-Prom this year.

COUNSELING NEWS

IMPORTANT DATE: ACT TEST - December 10

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - November 4

NOTE: Seniors, this may be the last ACT test you could take to have scores available in time for freshmen scholarship consideration offered by MOST colleges. Of course some of these circumstances have changed due to COVID 19. Check with your college choice to determine their scholarship deadline and requirements. Register online at www.act.org.



When registering for the ACT test it is **VERY IMPORTANT** to include:

- **The York High School code (282-590) to ensure we receive the score for the transcript and your file.**
- **UNL or UNO as one of your choices if they are in your plans at all. UNL and UNO have changed their admissions policy to only accept scores directly from the testing center (ACT or SAT). UNL ACT College Code is 2482 and UNO ACT College Code is 2464.**
- **The NCAA or NAIA as one of your college choices if planning to play college sports. NCAA code is 9999. NAIA code is 9876.**
- **The codes for FOUR colleges you may be interested in. Failure to record these codes will mean you will have to order scores later, directly from ACT, and pay a fee for each score**

SCHOLARSHIPS WITH NOVEMBER, EARLY DECEMBER, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY DEADLINES

November 15	UNL CBA Honors Academy
November 15	Kearney Law Opportunities Program (KLOP)
November 15	UNL Honors Program (Early Notification Deadline – RECOMMENDED /February 15 – Final)
November 15	Jeffrey S. Raikes School of Computer Science and Management (formerly the J.D. Edwards Honors Program) (This is the ONLY deadline)
December 1	Rural Health Opportunities Program RHOP and KHOP (Chadron, Peru, Wayne and UNK)
December 1	Rural Law Opportunities Program RLOP (Wayne and Chadron)
December 1	Wayne College Freshman Scholarships
January 7	UNK Honors Program
January 7	Omaha World Herald/Kearney Hub Scholarship
January 15	Board of Trustees' Full-Tuition Scholarship (Wayne, Peru, or Chadron)
January 15	Chadron State College Freshman Scholarships
January 15	Peru State College Freshman Scholarships
February 1	UNL Freshman Scholarships

(You may want to double check any particular date with your preferred college as they sometimes do updates on the due dates.)

NEBRASKA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Students planning to attend Peru, Wayne or Chadron State Colleges should plan to apply for the Board of Trustees Full-Tuition scholarships if they score at least a 25 on the ACT and can provide one letter of recommendation. The UNL Davis/Chambers Scholarship is offered for students with financial need, and the deadline is February 1.

TUITION REDUCTION PROGRAMS

Various two and four-year colleges and universities in Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, and Missouri participate in the Midwest Student Exchange Program which reduces tuition to in-state cost. Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Missouri, offers the Western Neighboring State Scholarship which provides in-state tuition scholarships to students from Nebraska, Kansas, Illinois or Iowa. Seniors may pick up information in the Counseling Office if interested in either of these programs.

COUNSELING NEWS

WAITING LIST REMINDER

Some community and vocational/technical schools may have waiting lists for students who wish to enter certain programs. Some programs could have up to a one-year waiting list. To be placed on a waiting list, a student must take the Accuplacer test, apply for admission, and be accepted into the program. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are interested in vocational and technical areas are encouraged to visit the Counseling Office as soon as possible to begin this process and/or check with your college to ask about the related time frame for interests. Remember when applying to still select your preferred starting date as there are sometimes last-minute cancellations by others ahead of you.

PSAT TEST RESULTS

Results will be sent home in December, along with their test booklets if they wish to check their answers with the test questions. This provides each student with an excellent opportunity to learn from the results of the test. Please review the results with your son/daughter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Counseling Office.

ASVAB TESTING

ASVAB testing will happen at YHS on Wednesday, November 9, for all sophomores. There is no charge for this test. This test is used for military, and it is also a great interest/strengths analysis. Juniors and seniors who indicate a desire to take this test may join in by contacting the counseling office in advance.

SENIOR COLLEGE VISITS

Your senior has two exempt absence days to use for college visits. We encourage students to use these days to step foot on campuses in which they are interested to get a true feeling of life there. Most of the colleges have a page on their website to set up the visit yourself. If you need assistance setting up these visits, please call Mrs. Stuhr in the counseling office. We'll be glad to help make this happen.

SUSAN T. BUFFETT SCHOLARSHIP

The Susan T. Buffett scholarship application opens November 1. This scholarship can be used at any Nebraska community college, state college or university. Seniors must have a 2.0 GPA and have financial need. Check it out at buffettscholarships.org Deadline is February 1, 2023, at 5:00 pm.

FAFSA HELP

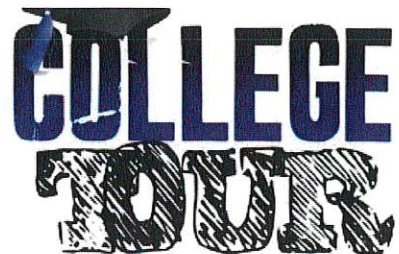
Just a reminder that EducationQuest staff are willing to offer FREE help to assist parents in completing the FAFSA and/or answering any college financial or scholarship questions. They have offices in Lincoln, Omaha, and Kearney. They are doing in person OR virtual appointments. Get your appointment set soon as they are booking up quickly!

TENTH and NINTH GRADERS REGISTERING

Tenth graders will work individually with their counselors in November and early December to get registered for their junior year classes and review their four-year plans. Current freshmen will follow. Prior to this, each student will receive a list of classes from which to choose. Ask your child about this and have a conversation about their plans and interests. It would be a sheet you can and should review and complete together. Course information / descriptions can be found on the school website at yorkpublic.org, Schools, High School, YHS Course Offerings, YHS Course Descriptions 2022-2023.

UPCOMING CAMPUS VISITS

We are so thankful we have the opportunity to visit college campuses once again this year! Our College Access Grant through EducationQuest makes these possible. Our school district also feels strongly about supporting these important opportunities and helps cover the cost of transportation when needed. Visits scheduled for the balance of the semester include: November 7 to Wayne State for all sophomores; November 16 to UNK for all juniors; November 30 to Northeast Community College for interested upperclassmen; December 2 to Peru State for interested upperclassmen; and December 8 to UNL for interested upperclassmen.



A few words from the Athletic Booster Club...

Like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/YorkHighSchoolAthleticBoosterClub/>

Winter Sports Parent meeting is **Tuesday, November 15th**.

Fall Accomplishments:



Ladies Golf - District Runners-up! The Dukes came in top 10 finish at STATE!! Thank you to the seniors for your dedication and commitment to the girls' golf program.



Boys Tennis - Teamwork lifted 3 young men to 3rd and 4th place medals at STATE!! The team polished off a successful season with a 9th place finish at the State Meet! Coaches Malleck and Johnson held them together for another winning season.



Football - It's been a great season for our York Duke Football team. They've shown incredible tenacity in some tough game situations and made all of Duke nation proud. We wish them the best of luck as they begin their run at the state playoffs.



Softball - The girls finished up their season in a tough Class B field of teams. They were York Invite Champs, and had a nice run this season. A big thanks to the seniors for showing exemplary leadership and love for their fellow teammates!



Volleyball - The girls are still going strong! They finished as Central Conference Runners-up. We wish them the best of luck as they finish out their season! Way to give it your all, girls!



Cross Country - This team conditioned together and worked hard as they managed to lift the girls team to a 2nd place finish at Conference, District Champs, and a 5th place team finish at State! The boys team was young, but had some great seniors that pushed their team to keep improving! We are proud of the efforts of all our young runners!

Coming Up:



Unified Bowling will compete November 14th at Sunset Bowl. Come support our bowlers!



Girls Hoopla Basketball Tournament at YHS - **Volunteers needed** for this November 19th event. Contact Ken Booth (ken.booth@yorkdukes.org) if you can work.

GO DUKES!!

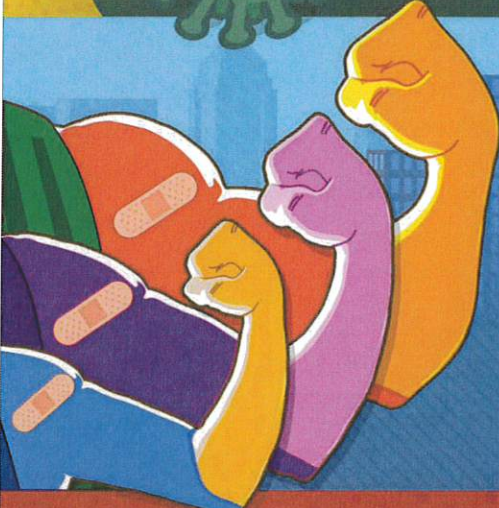


TAKE 3 ACTIONS TO

FIGHT FLU



Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease that can be serious. Every year, millions of people get sick, hundreds of thousands are hospitalized, and thousands to tens of thousands of people die from flu. CDC urges you to take the following actions to protect yourself and others from flu.



GET YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY VACCINATED!

A yearly flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses.

Everyone 6 months or older should get an annual flu vaccine. Protect Yourself. Protect Your Family. Get Vaccinated. #FightFlu

STOP THE SPREAD

Take everyday preventive actions to help stop the spread of flu viruses!

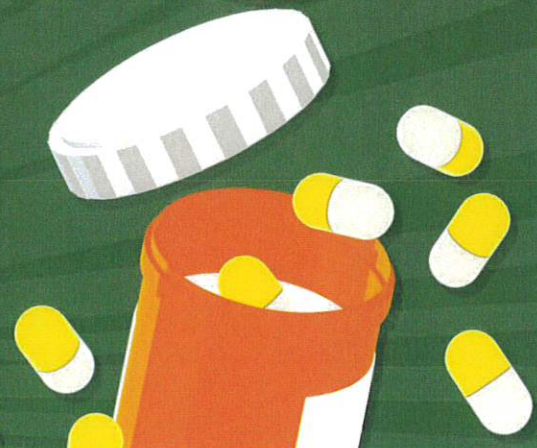
Avoid close contact with sick people, avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, cover your coughs and sneezes, wash your hands often (with soap and water).



ASK YOUR DOCTOR ABOUT FLU ANTIVIRALS

Take antiviral drugs if your doctor prescribes them!


Antiviral drugs can be used to treat flu illness and can make illness milder and shorten the time you are sick.



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#FIGHT FLU





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BUTTERBRAIDS, PUFFINS,
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CANDY, AND MORE!

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November 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Harvest Moon @ Holthus Convention Center Doors Open 5:30 pm Supper Served 6:00 pm		1 One-Act Public Performance - 8:00 pm	2 Early Student Dismissal 2:03 pm FFA District Livestock Judging @ York County Fairgrounds State Volleyball Tournament (V) - Pinnacle Bank Arena	3 Football Playoffs (V) Quarter-Finals @ Omaha Gross - 7:00 pm State Volleyball Tournament (V) - Pinnacle Bank Arena	4 Football Playoffs (V) Quarter-Finals @ Omaha Gross - 7:00 pm State Volleyball Tournament (V) - Pinnacle Bank Arena	5 One-Act Competition @ Norfolk Play Production Contest Academic Decathlon Scrimmage - TBD Unified Bowling @ Norfolk Invite (V) (Kings Lanes) - 10:00 am
6 Harvest Moon @ Holthus Convention Center Doors Open 5:30 pm Supper Served 6:00 pm	7 School Picture Retake Day JAG Officers Celebration Ceremony - Choir Room - 3:45 pm ACES Induction - 7:00 pm - YHS Theater	8 School Picture Retake Day JAG Officers Celebration Ceremony - Choir Room - 3:45 pm ACES Induction - 7:00 pm - YHS Theater	9 Early Student Dismissal 2:03 pm ASVAB Testing for All YHS Sophomores - 8:15 am	10 A Salute To Our Veterans - YHS Theater Coffee & Breakfast for Veterans at 9:00 am Program at 10:00 am	11 Football Playoffs (V) Semi-Finals - TBD Veterans Day York 2022 K-DUB One-Act Competition	12 Unified Bowling @ GINW Invite (V) (Westside Lanes) - 10:00 am Mini Cheer Camp
13 YHS Start of Winter Practices - GWR, BWR, GBB, BBB, BWL Unified Bowling—York Invite (V) vs. Centennial, Ralston, Wahoo, Waverly @ Sunset Bowl, York - 3:00 pm Board of Education Meeting	14 YHS Start of Winter Practices - GWR, BWR, GBB, BBB, BWL Unified Bowling—York Invite (V) vs. Centennial, Ralston, Wahoo, Waverly @ Sunset Bowl, York - 3:00 pm Board of Education Meeting	15 One-Act Competition @ Gothenburg Invite Winter Sports Parent Meeting 7:00 pm	16 Early Student Dismissal 2:03 pm NMEA All-State Honor Band & Choir - Lincoln	17 YHS Hall of Fame @ York Country Club	18 YHS Hall of Fame @ York Country Club	19 Central Conference One-Act @ Lexington Unified Bowling @ GISH Invite (V) (Westside Lanes) - 1:00 pm
20 One-Act Competition @ Hartington-Newcastle	21 One-Act Competition @ Hartington-Newcastle	22 Football State Championships (V) @ UNL - Memorial Stadium - TBD Unified Bowling @ GINW (V) (Westside Lanes) - 10:00 am Winter Sports Pictures	23 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break	24 Thanksgiving	25 YHS Hall of Fame @ York Country Club	26 Central Conference One-Act @ Lexington Unified Bowling @ GISH Invite (V) (Westside Lanes) - 1:00 pm
27 Board of Education Meeting Unified Bowling Districts (V)	28 Board of Education Meeting Unified Bowling Districts (V)	29 Unified Bowling Districts (V) @ Sunset Bowl, York - 10:00 am One Act School Performance - 2:30 pm, Community Performance - 8:00 pm - YHS Theater G/B BB-Home Jamboree vs Milford (V)	30 Early Student Dismissal 2:03 pm	