

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

—Melson Mandela

Superintendent, Ted Classen

Dear Sailor Nation,

As we approach the final stretch of the school year, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the hard work, dedication, and spirit each of you has shown. The end of the year is in sight, and together we have navigated the challenges and celebrated the successes that have marked this journey. Every achievement, big or small, has been a testament to the strength and perseverance within our school family.

Now more than ever, I encourage everyone to stay strong and extend grace to one another. The pressures of the final months can be challenging, but remember that we are all in this together. Offering kindness, patience, and support can make a world of difference. Our shared commitment to uplifting each other makes our school community a truly special place. Whether you are a student pushing through the last assignments, a teacher guiding your class to the finish line, or a parent providing unwavering support, your efforts are deeply appreciated.

With Easter just around the corner, I hope this season brings you joy, renewal, and time spent with loved ones. It is a wonderful opportunity to pause, reflect, and embrace the spirit of hope and new beginnings. May your celebrations be filled with laughter and meaningful moments.

Let us carry that spirit of renewal into these final weeks of the school year. Take pride in all that you have accomplished and continue to strive for excellence. Remember, success is not only measured by grades or awards, but also by the growth, resilience, and kindness you demonstrate each day.

Thank you for your continued dedication and kindness. Let's finish this school year with strength and unity.

Sincerely, Ted Classen Superintendent

JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Sutherland Families,

There's something about spring in a school building—it brings a buzz of excitement, a full calendar, and a deep sense of pride for all that's been accomplished throughout the year. As the days get longer and warmer, we find ourselves reflecting on how far we've come and looking ahead to some really special moments still to come.

Honors Night is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7, with a meal at 6:30 PM and the awards presentation to follow at 7:00 PM. It serves as a highlight of the year—a time to pause and celebrate the hard work, character, and commitment of our students. We'll share more details soon, but I hope you'll plan to join us for this special evening.

Spring activities are in full swing, and while I love seeing our students shine in so many areas, I also want to gently remind everyone of the importance of staying caught up in the classroom. Communication is key—students should continue checking in with teachers. We want each student to finish strong and feel proud of the work they've done.

To our staff: thank you. You wear so many hats—teacher, coach, mentor, encourager—and do so with grace, grit, and heart. If you happen to cross paths with one of our staff members in the coming weeks, I hope you'll take a moment to thank them. Their impact reaches far beyond the classroom walls.

Personally, this year has been full of firsts for me. And as I reflect on these past months, I feel nothing but gratitude—for this community, for our students, and for the incredible people I get to work alongside each day. It is truly a gift to be here.

We'll be hosting track meets on April 5, April 17, April 23, and May 2, May 6, May 14. These events require many hands, and if you're willing to volunteer, we'd love to have you. Please reach out to Mrs. Wilson or Mr. Wolken if you can help—it's a great way to be part of something that brings our whole school together.

Our juniors will take the ACT on April 1. They've been putting in the work—early mornings, practice tests, and John Baylor sessions—and we're incredibly proud of their efforts. After the test, they'll enjoy lunch together and be dismissed for the day!

Thank you for walking alongside us. Thank you for trusting us with your kids. Thank you for being part of this Sailor family. My door is always open—please don't hesitate to stop by or reach out.

With Sailor Pride, Mrs. McConnell Sutherland Schools | 7-12 Principal Flementary School

On the Elementary Side of the Ship......

A Big SHOUT OUT to our Supporters!

We would like to give a huge thank you to all the businesses, parents, and teachers who made our PBIS Carnival such a success! Your generous donations and support made this event possible.

- Thank you to the parents and teachers for donating themed baskets and gift cards.
- Adams Bank and Trust for providing the water.
- . Western Nebraska Bank for the hotdogs, buns, and chips.
- Kathy and Kelly Christner as well as True Flynn for volunteering their time to run the freewill supper donation.
- Mr. Saner and the shop kids for creating most of the carnival games.
- Mr. RC O'Neal and Mrs. Brittney Paulsen for their hard work setting up the "Penny Carnival," preparing for the evening, and cleaning up afterward.
- Mrs. Stauffer for spearheading the entire event.

Thanks to everyone, the carnival was a huge success, and the students had a great time! Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated.

Test Season Begins April 1st!

Testing season is approaching, starting on April 1st, 2025, with the Nebraska Student-Centered Assessment System (NSCAS). This state assessment will be administered to students in grades 3-8 for Reading and Math. Additionally, grades 5 and 8 will also take the Science assessment. These assessments are crucial as they reflect the performance of both our school and our students and are reported to the Nebraska Department of Education.

After the NSCAS testing is completed, **Kindergarten through 6th grade** will take the **NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)** assessments. Here's the breakdown:

- Kindergarten & 1st grade: Reading and Math
- 2nd grade: Reading, Math, and Language
- 3rd-6th grade: Reading, Math, Language, and Science

The MAP assessment is designed to track the students' growth throughout the year, comparing their progress from the Fall and Winter tests.

I've asked teachers to share their class testing schedules with parents so everyone is prepared.

Test-Taking Tips for Elementary Students To help your student succeed during Spring testing, here are some useful test-taking strategies: Get plenty of rest and stay hydrated. Talk to your student about the importance of doing their best.

- Review study skills like:
 Slowing down and reading carefully.
 - Reviewing the directions before starting.
 - Double-checking their answers before moving on.
 - o Eliminating incorrect answer options.
 - Staying focused.
 - Using the test resources available to them.
- Maintain a positive mindset—it's the key to staying confident!

We appreciate your support in helping our students achieve their best!

Educationally Yours, Ms. Allison Pritchard





SCHOOL COUNSELOR

March was a busy one with NHS induction, NHS Scholastic Book Fair, several scholarships being due, gearing up for class registration for the 25-26 school year, and SO much more!! We have had several of our seniors apply for various scholarships and now it is just a waiting game to see the award letters come in! I am hopeful with this class that there will be several dollars awarded, relieving some of the financial burden for our students. A reminder to seniors that I will be sending out a Google Form for them to fill out with all of their scholarships and future plans. A scholarship award letter is the equivalent of a check, so please keep track of all of these so you can take them to the office of financial aid at your college to receive your money.

Currently, I am working on the schedule for the 2025-2026 school year. If you would like to set up an appointment with me to discuss your child's schedule, please feel free to email me or call the school. Once a schedule is built, students should be able to see it before we leave for the summer if things all go as planned. For those students who signed up for dual credit classes through Mid-Plains, there has been an email sent to students and parents about signing up for classes.

The Juniors will be taking the ACT at school on April 1st. The next ACT for the national test dates will be on June 14th, and students must register at www.actstudent.org by May 9th. Next fall, those to be seniors will only have the September, October, and December test dates left to try and raise their scores. UNK and UNL will accept the February ACT also for scholarship reasons. If you have any questions about your child's future endeavors, please feel free to email at cathy.brunz@spssailors.org.

Future dates to look forward to this spring:

April 1st - Junior's ACT

April 14th - 3pm Senior/Kindergarten Buddies

April 25th - Daddy/Daughter Dance





2025-2026 Sutherland Public School

Preschool Registration

NOW OPEN

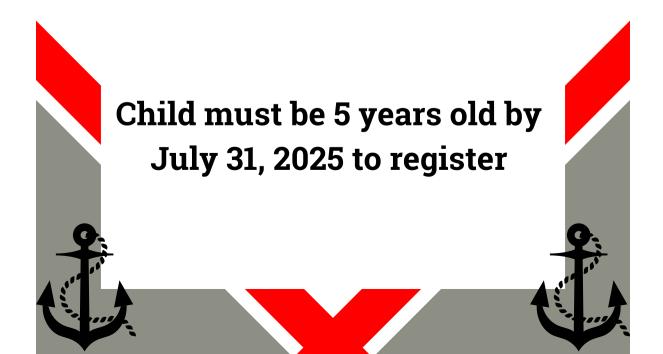
Call the Elementary Office at 308-386-4321 and speak with Brittney to sign your child up

Child must be 4 years old by July 31, 2025 to register



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ELEMENTARY TRACK & FIELD DAY



REMEMBER THERE WILL BE
WATER ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR!
SO BRING A TOWEL, & SOME
EXTRA CLOTHES,

STARTS AT 9AM AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD

SPEECH IS STATE BOUND

DISTRICT SPEECH RESULTS



Serious: Mahala-2nd Place State Qualifier

Humorous: Maleah-6th Place

Persuasive: Gracie-2nd Place State Qualifier

Informative: Eliana-4th Place

Duet: Macradee & Bryer 3rd Place State Qualifier

Duet: Gracie & Mahala 2nd Place State Qualifier.

OID: Lyla, Keigan, Bryden, & Leah 5th Place

PERFECT ATTENDANCE 3RD QUARTER



Daklin Taullie Grace Westerman Brynlee White Owen Keller Gunnar Myers Clifford Nichols Kruz Stevenson Joel White **Brayden Gier Dayton Nichelson Everet Peters Fredrick Peters** Karleigh Hathaway **Brogan Brown Max Dye Bentley Lathrop Von Barrett Gentry Boggs** Melanie Krajewski





OUR 7TH GRADE FPS MADE IT TO STATE IN KEARNEY APRIL 12TH! CONGRATULATIONS!



SUTHERLAND ELEMENTARY 3RD QUARTER HIGH HONOR ROLL

2ND GRADE

REX DYE

KAXTIN KEELING

3RD GRADE
JEREMIAH MRAZ
EVERET PETERS

4TH GRADE
KOLTEN FOSTER

5TH GRADE
ZAYNE LAMBERT
RYLEE MRAZ
CAMRY RASBY
EA HESSELTINE

6TH GRADE
MELANIE KRAJEWSKI



SUTHERLAND ELEMENTARY 3RD QUARTER HONOR ROLL

2ND GRADE
LAYLAH STONER
SERENITY STREETER
JOEL WHITE

3RD GRADE
BRANDT BACKER
OLIVER BARRETT
JOHN DYER
ABEL EINSPAHR
LAKIN FOSTER
MAIA LAMBERT
LUKA MALTSBERGER
CALLIOPE MILLS
BENTLEY NELSON
FREDRICK PETERS

4TH GRADE
KYLER BRUNZ
MARSTON COLEMAN
ALEC EDWARDS
JOSH HARPER
PYPER ENDERSON
ALEXIS KRAMER
MAX MALTSBERGER
ELI MAXCY
OLIVER MILLER
TANNER MILLER
ALAYNA NELMS
MCKENZI PAULSEN
RYLEE POTTER
HUNTER SHELBY

5TH GRADE
BRAELYNN BARRETT
TAITON BUCK
PIPER KERNER
JAISA KERSHNER
KELLAN ROTERT

6TH GRADE
LANE ANDERSON
VON BARRETT
GENTRY BOGGS
RHEA CONDON
KEALEY HATHAWAY
SAMUEL MALTSBERGER
HADLY NEMECHEK
DANICA POTTER
MOLLY RICHTER

2025-2026 Elementary Teacher Assignments

Preschool: Mrs. Jane Dye

Kindergarten: Mrs. Tiffany Hampton

First Grade: Mrs. Elizabeth Copeland

First Grade: Mrs. Brooke Aden

Second Grade: Mrs. Kimberly Schow

Third Grade: Mrs. Brandi Anderson

Fourth Grade: Mrs. Haley Wurst

Fourth Grade: Ms. Shaina Bassett

Fifth Grade: Mrs. Jewell Samuelson

Sixth Grade: Mrs. Denee' Elfeldt

Special Education: Mrs. Laura Stauffer

Special Education: Mrs. Jayden Ralston

Title I/Curriculum: Mrs. Jennifer Sandberg



Sailor SCHOOL DAY

MONDAY - FRIDAY

7:45 Teachers arrive at school

7:50 Teachers present in classroom

8:00 Student warning bell

8:05 School begins

MONDAY - THURSDAYS:

3:30 PM School day ends

3:45 PM Buses depart school

4:00 PM Teachers may depart

FRIDAYS:

2:30 PM School day ends

2:40 PM Buses depart school

2:45 PM Teachers may depart

2025/2026 NO SCHOOL DAYS

September 1st - 2nd

September 26th

October 13th

October 24th

November 3rd

November 26th - 28th

December 22nd - January 2nd

February 6th-9th

February 20th

February 23rd

March 11th- 13th

April 3rd - 6th

April 24th



A huge shoutout to all our incredible volunteers, generous donors, and everyone who attended our PBIS Carnival! Your support, time, and contributions made it a huge success. We couldn't have done it without you!

From setup to smiles, every moment was made special because of YOU. Thank you for making a difference! #Grateful #ThankYou #CommunityStrong #MakingADifference



Sutherland Public Schools





SAIL	OR TRACK 2025		
20 March 11:00AM	UNK Indoor		
29 March 10:00AM	Hershey Invitational		
05 April 10:00AM	Sutherland Booster Club Invitational		
08 April 10:00AM	Dundy County Stratton Meet		
17 April 10:00AM	Sutherland Invitational		
22 April 04:00PM	Midwest Nebraska Track Classic @ Gothenburg		
24 April 10:30AM	Paxton Invitational		
26 April 10:00AM	Hershey Meet		
02 May 10:00AM	RPAC Meet @ Sutherland		
05 May 12:00PM	Perkins County JV Meet		
06 May 03:00PM	Best of the Midwest @ Sutherland		
09 May 09:00AM	Overton Invitational @ Elm Creek		
14 May TBD	Districts @ Sutherland		
23-24 May	State @ Omaha		

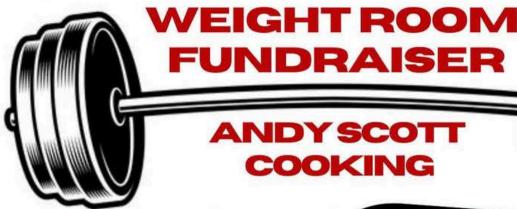


SAILOR GOLF 2025

31 March 11:00AM	Paxton Invitational @ Crandall Creek Golf Course					
11 April 10:00AM	South Loup Invitational @ Arnold Golf Course					
15 April 10:00AM	Chase County Invitational @ Enders Golf Course					
17 April 10:00AM	Hershey Invitational @ River's Edge Golf Course	- 1				
22 April 10:00AM	Perkins County Invitational @ Pheasant Run Golf Course					
01 May 10:30AM	RPAC Golf Meet @ Arrowhead Meadows Golf Course					
08 May 10:00AM	North Platte St. Pat's Invitational @ River's Edge Golf Course					
13 May 10:00AM	Sutherland Invitational @ Oregon Trails Golf Course					
15 May 04:00PM	North Platte St. Pat's Triangular @ River's Edge Golf Course					
19 May TBD	Districts TBD @					
28-29 May TBD	State @ Columbus @ Quail Run Golf Course					
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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS





The weight room got a face lift from McConnell Construction.

Phase 2: In Progress...

We have purchased our 1st round of new equipment & it will be arriving just in time for summer weights!

Phase 3-Needs your support!

This final phase will bring in more equipment, upgrades, and the finishing touches to make our weight room a high-energy, motivational space for our SAILORS

FRIDAY
APRIL 4TH
5:30-8:30 PM
SUTHERLAND LEGION HALL

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS

Sutherland Public Schools Presents:

RENGTH IN NUMBERS

Our current weight room is in need of upgrades to ensure that all students and community members have access to safe and effective training equipment. Additionally, the weight room is utilized by members of our community, further emphasizing the importance of maintaining a high-quality facility that serves everyone. With your help, we can provide an environment that encourages all individuals to reach their full potential. A well-equipped weight room not only enhances athletic performance but also fosters lifelong fitness habits, improves mental well-being, and instills discipline in our students.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

\$5,000 +

- · Recognition on a donor plaque in the school commons
- Social Media Shout Out
- Logo featured on the back of programs for 25-26 sports season
- Special recognition at half-time of a home game
- · Name prominently displayed in the new weight room on the HEAVY LIFTER Wall
- 2 Activity passes and two passes to the weight room for your business.
- · Special invite to the ribbon-cutting ceremony

\$1,000

- Social Media Shout Out
- Recognition on a donor plaque in the commons
- Special Invite to the ribbon-cutting ceremony

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\$2,500

- Recognition on a donor plaque in the commons
- Social Media Shout Out
- · Special recognition at half-time of a home game
- 2 Activity passes or two passes to the weight room for your business
- · Special invite to the ribbon-cutting ceremony

\$500



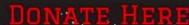
- Recognition on a donor plaque in the commons
- Mention in the school newsletter

SUPPORTER

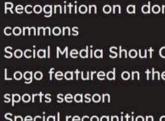


Any Amount Helps!

- · Heartfelt appreciation for helping our students grow stronger
- Name included in a special thank-you post on social media









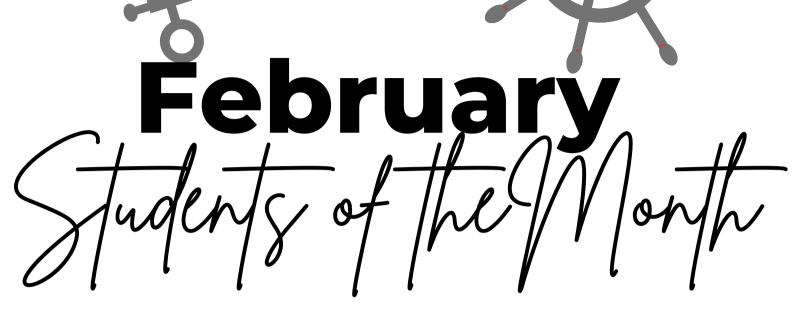
RPAC ALL-CONFERENCE WEST DIVISION

Girls Basketball

Honorable Mention: Gracyn Elfeldt

Boys Basketball

Honorable Mention: Jackson Saner







CONGRATULATIONS

PROUDLY PRESENTED TO:

VON BARRETT

QUARTERLY SCHOLARSHIP
FOR THE "BANK IN THE SCHOOLS"
AWARDED BY ADAMS BANK AND TRUST

TO OUR TEAM!

2025/2026



OLIVIA FREEZE

6-12 VOCAL + INSTRUMENTAL

TRACK SEASON





HIGH SCHOOL ONLY



7TH-10TH & 12TH GRADE ONLY (ELEMENTARY WILL BE IN SESSION)

THE JUNIOR CLASS WILL REPORT TO SCHOOL AT 8:00 AM FOR BREAKFAST, FOLLOWED BY THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACT TEST.

STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED UPON COMPLETION OF THE EXAM.

SUTHERLAND ANCHOR CLUB

EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 19TH, 2025 | 10 AM SUTHERLAND FOOTBALL FIELD

🐰 Hop on Over for Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

8,000 Eggs T Prizes SFun for the Family

Age Group Categories:
Tiny Tots (0-4 years)
Little Explorers (Preschool & Kindergarten)
Junior Hunters (1st-3rd)
Eggsplorers (4th-6th)

Don't Miss Out on the Egg-citement! Mark Your Calendars and Spread the Word!

SAILOR BRANCH

BANK



WHEN

7:30 A.M. TO 7:50 A.M.

WHERE

SPS COMMONS AREA







April 2025



SUTHERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Milk is Served W/ Every Meal:	All Lunches Served with a	1 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	2 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	3 Cereal or Poptart, Fruit, Juice, Milk	4 Cook's Choice, Fruit, Juice, Milk	5
1% White FF Strawberry FF Chocolate	Fruit/Vegetable Bar	Tristan & Xavier's Favorite Hot Ham N Cheese	Breaded Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Veggie, Roll	Grady's Favorite Chicken Fajitas	Flat Bread Pizza	
	7 Cereal or Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk	8 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	9 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	10 Cereal or Poptart, Fruit, Juice, Milk	11 Cook's Choice, Fruit, Juice, Milk	12
666	Kindergarten & 3rd Grade's Favorite Super Nachos	Pulled Pork Sandwich	Oliver & JoJo's Favorite Chicken Sandwich	Hot Dogs & Chips	Grilled Cheese & Soup	
13	14 Cereal or Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk	15 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	16 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	17 Cooks Choice, Fruit, Juice, Milk	18 No School	19
	Luke's & 2nd Grade's Favorite Chicken/Cheese Quesadillas	Steak Fingers, Cheesy Potatoes, Veggie	Pizza	Corn Dogs & Baked Beans		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
hammy	No School	Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Cereal or Poptarts, Fruit, Juice, Milk	Bagels with a Buddy Fruit, Juice, Milk	
Easter &		Tessa, Mahala, Ryker, & Hayden's Favorite Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Veggie, Roll	Crispitos	Pigs in a Blanket	Burrito	
27	28 Cereal or Cereal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk	29 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk	30 Hot Breakfast, Fruit, Juice, Milk			This Institution is
	Italian Dunkers	Chicken Strips & Potato Patty	Tacos			Opportunity Employer

April 2025

Activities

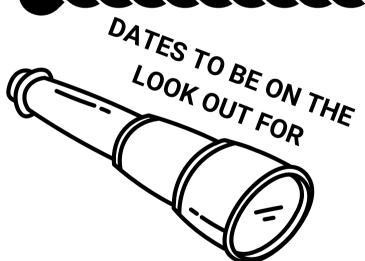
SUTHERLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

27 28 1pm 4-5 Year Old- 7pm Team Youth Soccer	20 BANDBY EASTER BREAK	13 14 1pm 4-5 Year Old- Youth Soccer 2pm 6-7 Year Old Youth Soccer 3pm 8-10 Year Old Youth Soccer	6 1pm 4-5 Year Old- Youth Soccer 2pm 6-7 Year Old Youth Soccer 3pm 8-10 Year Old Youth Soccer 3pm 8-10 Year Old Youth Soccer 7pm Youth Wrestling Practice		Sunday Moi
28 7pm Teammates End of the Year Celebration	OL- \$REAK	mates	rade Boys mates Wrestling		Monday
29 6pm Elementary Spring Concert 7pm Spring High School Chorus Concert	22 10am Golf@Pheasant Run Golf Course	15 10am Golf@Enders Golf Course	8 10am Track Meet@Dundy County 6pm School Board Meeting	1 11am Golf@Crandall Creek Golf Club 6pm 2nd Grade Boys Basketball	Tuesday
1 00	23 10am JHTrack	16 10am JH Track Meet@Hershey	9 10am JH Track@Paxton 1pm Dismissal	2 State FFA Convention	Wednesday
	24 6th Grade Field Trip 10:30 am Track@Paxton	17 10am Golf@River's Edge Golf Course 10am Track Meet@HOME 1pm Miss NE Visits Elementary Students	10 6:30pm FFA Banquet	3 State FFA Convention 5:30pm Club Volleyball	Thursday
	25 6th Grade Field Trip Daddy/Daughter Dance	18 NO SCHOOL- EASTER BREAK	11 10am Golf@Arnold Golf Course 5:30pm Club Volleyball	4 State FFA Convention	Friday
	26 10am Track Meet @Hershey	19 10am Anchor Club Easter Egg Hunt	JH State FPS@Kearney	5 10am Track Meet@HOME	Saturday



MAIL TO:





04-08-2025 6PM SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
04-09-2025 1PM DISMISSAL
04-18-2025 NO SCHOOL-EASTER BREAK
04-21-2025 NO SCHOOL-EASTER BREAK
04-29-25 6PM ELEMENTARY SPRING CONCERT
04-29-2025 7PM SPRING HS CHORUS CONCERT