



Student Council Blood Drive Moved to January

Dates To Remember

- Dec. 1 K-5 Winter Concert, Spec. Gym – 6:30 pm
- Dec. 7 EARLY DISMISSAL – 2:00 pm
- Dec. 12 9-12 Band/Vocal Concert, Café – 7:00 pm
- Dec. 14 EARLY DISMISSAL – 2:00 pm
- Dec. 15 6th – 8th Band/Vocal Concert, Spec. Gym – 7:00 pm
- Dec. 20 Preschool Christmas Program, Elem. Gym – 6:00 pm
- Dec. 21 EARLY DISMISSAL – 2:00 pm
- Dec. 22 Elementary Parties 2:15 pm
- Dec. 23- Jan. 3 Winter Break
- Jan. 4 Classes Resume



The Starmont High School Student Council will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, January 11th from 2:30-6:30 PM in the high school cafe. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. Call the school for an appointment if you haven't been contacted. Please consider giving the gift of blood to those in need during this holiday season.



Winter Concerts
Thursday, December 1
K – 5th Grade Vocal
6:30 pm – Spectator Gym

Monday, December 12
9th -12th Grade Vocal/Band
7:00 pm – Cafe

Thursday, December 15
6th -8th Grade Vocal/Band
7:00 pm – Spectator Gym

Starmont Calendar

December 2016

Thurs., Dec. 1

7/8 G BB vs. C. City (H) 4:00 pm
JV/V Wr @ N. Crawford 6:00 pm
K-5 Vocal Concert, Spec. Gym 6:30 pm

Fri., Dec. 2

7/8 Wr @ W. Delaware 4:00 pm
JV/V Wr @ Cascade 4:30 pm
JV/V G/B BB vs. Kee High (H) 4:45/6:15 pm

Mon., Dec. 5

7/8 G BB @ Alburnett 4:00 pm

Tues., Dec. 6

JV/V G/B BB @ T. Valley 4:00/6:15 pm

Wed., Dec. 7

EARLY DISMISSAL 2:00 pm
Teacher Inservice 2:15-3:30 pm

Thurs., Dec 8

7/8 G BB @ E. Buchanan 4:00 pm
PTO Meeting, Media Center 6:00 pm

Fri., Dec. 9

JV/V G/B BB vs. Central (H) 4:45/6:15 pm

Sat., Dec. 10

V Wrestling @ Oelwein 10:00 am
JV/V G/B BB @ E. Buchanan 1:00 pm

Mon., Dec. 12

Board Meeting HS Conf. Room 6:30 pm
9th-12th Band/Vocal Concert, Café 7:00 pm

Tue., Dec. 13

7/8 G BB @ Central 4:00 pm
JV/V G/B BB @ W. Central 4:30/6:15 pm

Wed., Dec. 14

EARLY DISMISSAL 2:00
Teacher Inservice 2:15 – 3:30 pm

Thurs., Dec. 15

6th – 8th Band/Vocal Concert, Spec. Gym
7:00 pm

Fri., Dec. 16

JV/V G/B BB vs. MFL-MarMac 4:45/6:15 pm

Sat., Dec. 17

Starmont Wrestling Invite 10:00 am

Tues., Dec. 20

Preschool Concert, Elem Gym 6:00 pm
JV/V G/B BB @ NF-V 4:15/6:15 pm

Wed., Dec. 21

EARLY DISMISSAL
Teacher Inservice 2:15-3:30 pm

Thurs., Dec. 22

Elem. Christmas Parities 2:15 pm

Fri., Dec. 23 – Mon., Jan. 2

NO SCHOOL – Winter Vacation

Tues., Jan. 3

No School

Teacher Professional Development

Wed., Jan. 4

CLASSES RESUME
Early Dismissal 2:00 pm
Teacher Inservice 2:15 -3:30 pm





Starmont Starlights

Starmont Cross Country Celebrates the Season.

An awards banquet was held on November 6th to celebrate the season. The banquet kicked off with a potluck then a video created by Willow Schuchmann that highlighted the season. Coach Gruman and Coach Schauf presented awards for accomplishments from the season. The following team awards were recognized - Captains: Cynthia Hamlett and Tom Powell. Most Valuable: Connor Wittman, Raquel Rosburg, Audry Goedken and Mitchell Hayes. Most Improved: Amanda Becker, Henry Hayes, Kalyn McTaggart, and Tom Powell. Rookie of the year: Jordan Baumgartner and Michael Conduff. Coaches Award: Allie Tucker and Henry Hahn.

All Conference certificates were earned by the following: Bianca Malone, Tom Powell, Caleb Wittman, Colt Gilson, Mitchell Hayes, Henry Hahn, and Graham Schuchmann. Also recognized was the boys varsity team for their 6th place finish at the State Meet. The boys tied the 1999 team for the highest finish by a Starmont Boys CC team at the state meet. Also, Mitchell Hayes was the 14th individual State Meet boys qualifier in Starmont history. All athletes received a packet highlighting each meet and Starmont Cross Country history.

On behalf of the Starmont Cross Country team, I would like to thank all of the runners, supporters, parents, and volunteers from throughout the entire season. A lot of behind the scenes work goes into having a successful program, and I appreciate all of the support and help.

Coach Gruman



Starmont Volleyball makes it to State

On November 9th, 2016 the Starmont Girls Volleyball Team played in the first ever in school history State Volleyball Tournament which was held at the US Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids.

It was an honor to represent Starmont Schools being one of the top eight volleyball teams in class 1A in Iowa to compete.

The girls as well as coach Robert and Lois Goedken would like to thank everyone at school and the community for all the support throughout our volleyball season.

Coach Goedken



Starmont FFA receives \$2000 grant for Classroom Science and Technology Supplies

Starmont Agriculture Education received a \$2,000 *Working Here Fund* grant for classroom science and technology supplies. The grant is provided through Farm Credit Services of America's (FCSAmerica) *Working Here Fund*.

Starmont Agriculture Education will use funds to purchase classroom science and technology supplies to enhance the relevancy of the agriculture education program in the area of science. Supplies include items such as pH sensors, electric balance, glassware, and GoLink sensor adaptors which will offer hands-on learning experiences for students.

"Many Starmont students return to work in our area communities and the more prepared students can be following completion of a strong high school agriculture education program, the better they will be able to serve and improve their communities through agriculture," said Rachael Stecklein, ag instructor and FFA advisor at Starmont School.

"At FCSAmerica, many of us grew up in agriculture and continue to farm. We know first-hand the value of agriculture education and are proud to partner with Starmont Agriculture Education to ensure future generations have the same opportunities for learning," said Dawn Foster, vice president of retail operations at FCSAmerica's Manchester office.

Starmont Agriculture Education is one of 99 organizations to receive a *Working Here Fund* grant in the third quarter of 2016. FCSAmerica awarded \$133,405 during the latest grant cycle ending September 30, 2016.

About Starmont Agriculture Education

The Starmont Agriculture Education program seeks to empower students with hands-on activities and real-world application to increase their knowledge and connection to the production of food, fiber, and fuel. With just one third of the high school student body currently involved in agriculture instruction, it is the goal of the program to continue to grow and evolve to increase the impact across grade levels and the district as a whole.

About Farm Credit Services of America

Farm Credit Services of America is proud to finance the growth of rural America, including the special needs of young and beginning producers. With \$25.4 billion in assets and \$4.5 billion in members' equity, FCSAmerica is one of the region's leading providers of credit and insurance services to farmers, ranchers, agribusiness and rural residents in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. Learn more at www.fcsamerica.com.



SENIORS

December 21st will be your 1st deadline for handing in a senior photo! Please turn in one billfold size photo (head and shoulder pose is preferred) to Mrs. Zitelman. You do have an option to send in a digital photo by email, if you wish to do so send it to jzitelman@starmont.k12.ia.us. Your photo needs to be **vertical** NO HORIZONTAL PHOTOS! This photo will be used in your class composite in the café, newspapers and the yearbook.



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