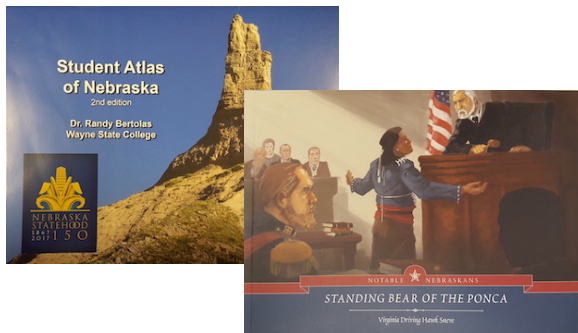


Newsletter

Educational Service Unit 8

More Nebraska 150 Celebration Books!



Remember these NE 150 Celebration books? Well, we have more!

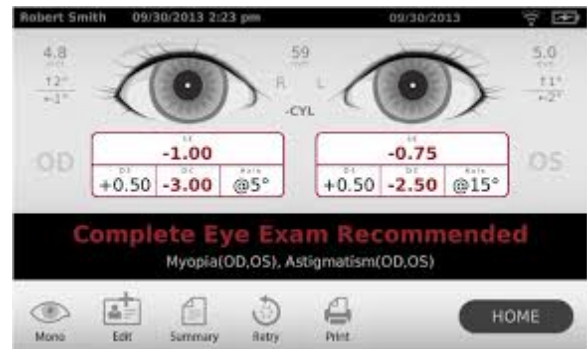
The **NE Atlas** is for the 4th grade classroom and the **Standing Bear** book is for the 5th grade classroom.

If your school is interested in receiving more copies, please let Linda Thompson know how many of each. You can email her at lmiller@esu8.org or call her at 402.887.5041 ext. 1233.

Darrel will deliver them via the ESU 8 Media van.

SPRING BREAK:

ESU 8 Offices and Learning Centers will be closed for Spring Break on Thursday and Friday, March 7th and 8th.



The ESU 8 Nursing Department Buys New Vision Screener

The ESU 8 Nursing Department purchased a Welch-Allyn Spot Vision Screener to perform annual student vision screenings!



The Spot Vision Screener is a handheld vision screening device that helps users quickly and easily detect vision issues on individuals from 6 months of age through adult. Spot screens both eyes at once from a nonthreatening 3-foot distance. The touch-screen display allows for one-touch activation, simple management of patient data entry, and easy configuration for both vision screening tests and autorefractometry applications.

Since August, ESU 8 schools nurses have performed over 2,700 vision screens using the device. Each screen takes less than one minute, and every student receives printed screening results. The Spot Vision Screener enables ESU 8 school nurses to screen an entire school in less than a day.

SUMMER TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE 2019

Constructing Learning: Come Fill Your Toolbox!

It's time for another year of STI! ... Wednesday and Thursday, May 29th and 30th. This year's theme focuses on constructing the perfect classroom tech toolbox. Find out more about the conference by visiting <http://bit.ly/STI2019>.



March's Wednesday Webinars

March 6th
*Photo Cards for iOS
and book snaps*
by Molly Aschoff

March 13th
*Science CCC –
Structure and Function*
by Heidi Rethmeier

March 20th
Perks of Perkins
by Heidi Rethmeier

March 27th
TBD
by Steph Wanek

ESU 8 K-12 Art Show

Thursday, April 11 – Monday, April 15

Antelope County Fair Grounds Ag Building in Neligh (Hwy 275)

This year, the Elementary Spring Art Festival and the High School Art Show are being combined.

The ESU 8 K-12 Art Show will begin on Thursday, April 11 and continue through Monday, April 15, 2019. It will be held at the Antelope County Fair Grounds building again.

Registration forms are also posted online. They can be viewed and downloaded from the ESU 8 web site at: <http://www.esu8.org/art/>

Please contact Steph Wanek (swanek@esu8.org) or Bev Tillema (btillema@esu8.org) at 402.887.5041 if you have questions or concerns.

JMC Teacher/Administrator Formative Assessment Workshop

Monday, March 25 • 9:00am – 12:30pm
ESU 8 Main Office in Neligh

JMC is hosting this event and will be covering different topics related to the JMC Student Information System. Michael McElmury from JMC will be presenting.

Please bring laptops to access to JMC accounts. If you have questions regarding this workshop, you may contact Tina Sauser at tina@esu8.org.

Aspiring Young Authors' Festival

Saturday, April 6 • 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Wayne State College

Once again, the Northeast Council of the Nebraska State Reading Association is planning the annual Aspiring Young Authors' Festival. The Festival will be held at Wayne State College, Saturday morning, April 6, 2019 in the Brandenburg Education Building from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Your talented young authors will be rewarded with an opportunity to meet published authors Joni Oeltjenbruns and Alexandra McClanahan and have an opportunity to showcase their own writing.

Each school may send up to 6 students in grades 2-6. The cost is \$10 per student. The participants must be accompanied by an adult. A manuscript must be submitted with each entry. These

manuscripts may be typed or handwritten and must be a final copy and not a rough draft. They may include illustrations. Deadline for receiving manuscripts and names of your students attending is March 25, 2019.

All the details can be downloaded from: <https://www.esu8.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Young-Authors-2019.pdf>

In the meantime, if you have questions, you may text Jenny Gubbels at 402.750.7040 or email her at jargubb@yahoo.com.



Using Seesaw with Students

Tuesday, June 4 • 9:00am – 3:00pm
ESU 8 Main Office in Neligh

Come and learn about how you can start to engage students in the use of Seesaw. Through a hands-on experience, you will be learning ways to teach your student to post and get involved with the Seesaw experience. You will need to bring a device to work on.

Please register before Friday, May 31, 2019 via the Event Registration tab on the ESU 8 website or by visiting:

<https://registration.esu8.org/workshops/SectionDetails.aspx?SectionID=5216>

Please contact Tina Sauser at tina@esu8.org if you have questions regarding this workshop.



MTSS Day 4

Tuesday, June 4 • 9:00am – 3:00pm
ESU 8 Main Office in Neligh

School teams, who participated in days 1-3, will learn about the use of implementation data, program data, and student data. Participants will also work on plans for communicating with the public. Jane Byers from NDE will be here to present. The fee for this event is \$15.00 and lunch will be provided.

The registration deadline is Friday, May 24, 2019. If you have questions regarding this event, please contact Steph Wanek at stephanie.wanek@esu8ne.org.

