

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 8

NEWSLETTER

OPENING DAY!

The VIRTUAL K-12 Art Show begins April 1st at
<https://www.esu8.org/2021-Art-Show/>

Enjoy the show!

Virtual: ASD Conference

Thursday, April 8th and

Friday, April 9th

9:00am – 3:30pm

Multiple Conference Rooms at
ESU 8

This statewide Conference will be virtual with regional sites for groups of people to meet. Lunch will be on your own. If you have questions regarding this event, contact Ruth Miller at ruth@esu8.org.

LETRS Training – Day 4

Thursday, April 22nd

9:00am – 3:30pm

Conference Room A/B at ESU 8

LETRS in person training day #4 is for those already registered for LETRS training. Please bring your LETRS manual and a computer. Lunch will be provided and if you have questions regarding this event, contact Cathy Fiala cfiala8@esu8.org.

Superintendent Administrator Assembly

Tuesday, April 27th

9:00am – 1:00pm

Conference Room A/B at ESU 8

ESU 8 Superintendents meet for the Administrative Assembly. ESU 8 Staff will be presenting. Please register by Thursday, April 22nd. Lunch will be provided and if you have questions regarding this event, contact Corey Dahl at cdahl@esu8.org.

32nd Annual ESU 8 Academic Quiz Bowls

The 32nd Annual ESU 8 Academic Quiz Bowl was held in Neligh on March 2nd. Twenty (20) High School teams from across seven counties competed.

In response to the directed health measures the format was changed to a “pool play” where five rooms each had four teams that played each other. The 1st and 2nd place teams from each room seeded a single elimination bracket. Spectators were not allowed to attend so every room was live streamed for family, friends and schools.

Norfolk Senior High School defeated previously undefeated Lutheran High Northeast in the championship match, 40-35. In similar fashion third place O'Neill St. Mary's defeated Orchard, 25-20, in the consolation match.

Norfolk and Lutheran High Northeast will represent ESU 8 at the Nebraska State Academic Quiz Bowl in Hastings on April 28th.

The entire bracket, teams and scores can be viewed at <http://bit.ly/qb9-12>.

Twenty (20) Middle School and Junior High teams came to Neligh to compete in the Annual ESU 8 Academic Quiz Bowl on Wednesday, March 3rd.

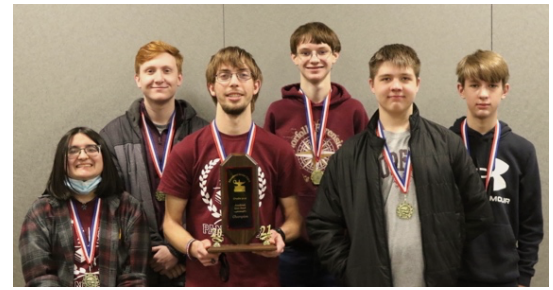
As with the Senior High tournament, the directed health measures elicited a change in the format to “pool play” where five rooms each had four teams that played each other. The 1st and 2nd place teams from each room seeded a single elimination bracket. Spectators were not allowed to attend so every room was live streamed for family, friends and schools.

The Championship match between Battle Creek and Pierce was tightly contested through the final questions. In the end, Battle Creek took the championship match, 30-25. Norfolk Catholic defeated Stuart, 45-10 in the consolation match to win the Third Place trophy and medals.

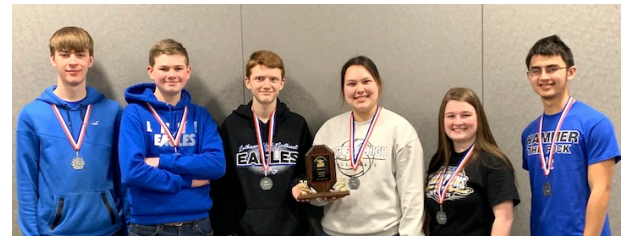
The entire bracket, teams and scores can be viewed at <http://bit.ly/qb6-8>.

Marlin Seevers, ESU 8 Quiz Bowl Director

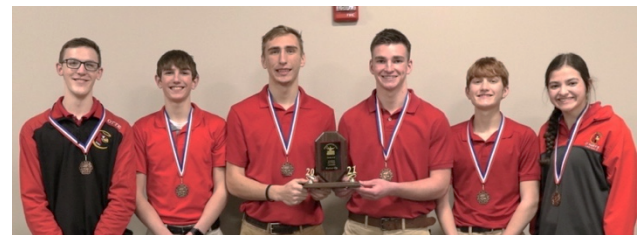
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Norfolk Senior High Quiz Bowl Team – 1st place



Lutheran High Northeast Quiz Bowl Team – 2nd place



O'Neill St. Mary's Quiz Bowl Team – 3rd place



Battle Creek's Quiz Bowl Team – 1st place



Pierce's Quiz Bowl Team – 2nd place



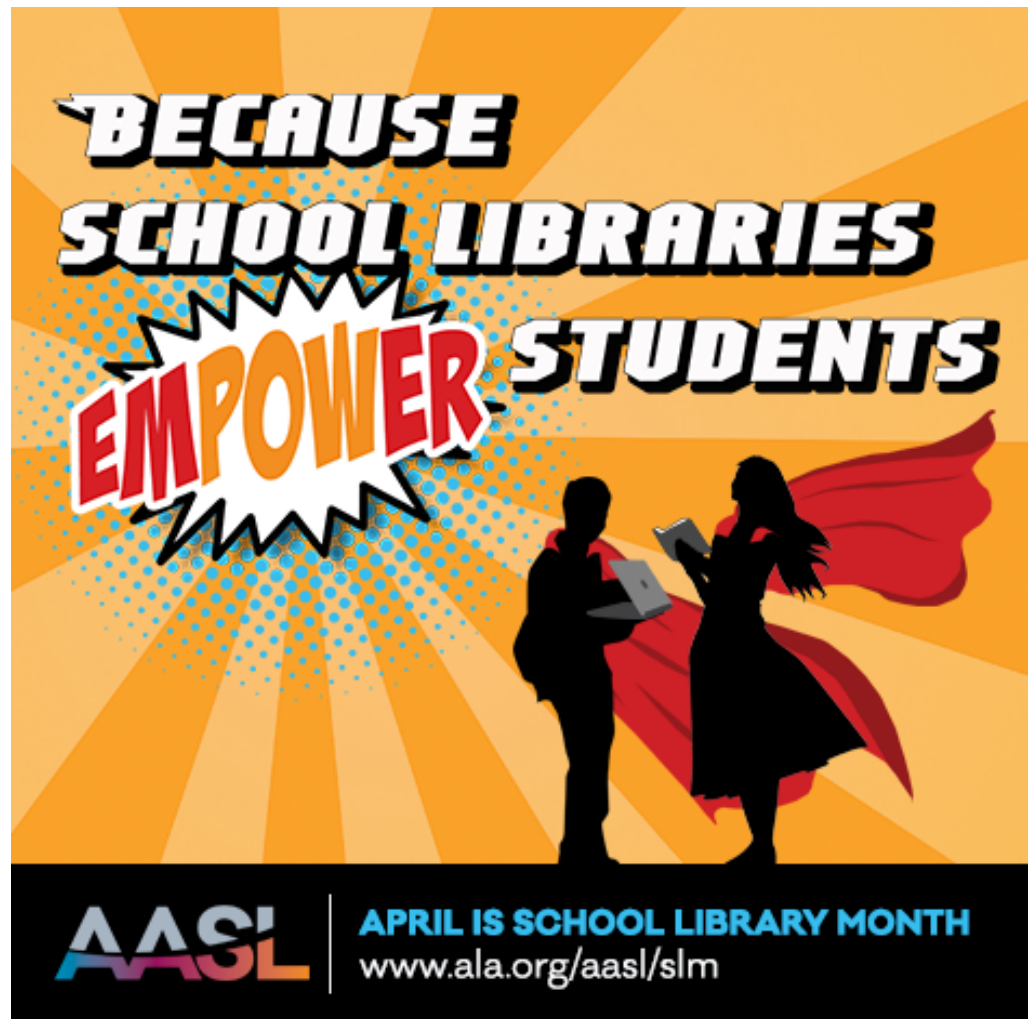
Norfolk Catholic's Quiz Bowl Team – 3rd place



ESU 8 Easter Break

ESU 8 offices and
Learning Centers
will be closed for
Easter Break on ...

Friday, April 2nd
and
Monday, April 5th



ck-12 is a tool

that is available to all ESU 8 teachers and staff through your SNAP account (<http://snap.esu8.org>). Simply login and click on the **ck-12** icon.

CK-12 was founded with the mission to enable everyone to learn in his or her own way. It's like a textbook with video and audio that allows you to interact with the material, and even edit the material to fit your learning style. CK-12 will keep track of your progress, let you share lessons online, and provide homework help. There are flash cards, exercises, quizzes and real world applications to support all learning styles.

For a visual explanation, watch this brief (1:26 min) overview video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbN-fPQnBeQ>

2020-2021 ESU 8 Employee of the Year Nominations

Each year ESU 8 honors one of its employees as “Employee of the Year” and we would like your help in selecting this year’s recipient.

If you know an ESU 8 employee that you feel is deserving of this award, please nominate that individual. Simply email your nominee and reasons for the nomination to the ESU 8 Administrator, Corey Dahl at cdahl@esu8.org.

The Employee of the Year will be selected from your nominations so we will need them **by Friday, April 30th**.

Thank you so much for your help!

Previous ESU 8 Employees of the Year

Some of the previous recipients include:

- 2008-2009:** Darus Mettler and Sally Kingston
- 2009-2010:** Sheila Kropp, Speech Pathologist
- 2010-2011:** Carolyn Gottsch, School Nurse
- 2011-2012:** Linda Hughes and Wendy Schooley
- 2012-2013:** Corey Dahl, Technology Instructor
and Randy Peck, Administrator
- 2013-2014:** Diane Dziowgo, Early Childhood
Special Education Teacher
- 2014-2015:** Gwen Kinney, School Nurse
- 2015-2016:** Heidi Rethmeier, Staff Developer
- 2016-2017:** Molly Aschoff, Digital Learning
Coordinator
- 2017-2018:** Steph Wanek, Staff Developer
- 2018-2019:** ESU 8 Learning Center Paras
- 2019-2020:** Sue Bailey, ELC Teacher

