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| |  | | --- | | A calendar with the words 'Mark Your Calendar' displayed. | | |  | | --- | | **Save the Date!** |   **October 13**   * Digital Learning Day: No School/No ASP   **October 14-17**   * Conference Week * Early Dismissal 12:30   **October 16**   * District Honor Chorus   **October 20**   * 50th Day of School   **October 21-24**   * IOWA Assessment for 3rd & 5th grade students * Bus Safety Appreciation Week- Thank your bus driver! | |

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| |  | | --- | | Illustration of a driver's license with a photo and lines for information. | | |  | | --- | | **Safety & Security Reminder** |   Thank you, parents, for always showing your Drivers License when visiting the school. Please remember we can only accept the actual ID (not a photo on your phone). This applies during the school day and for ASP. We appreciate your support in keeping our students safe! | |

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| **Community Events** |

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