



Flinthills Flyer

USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

November 2020

High School Volleyball Goes to State!

This couldn't happen to a bunch of better girls. These girls have great attitudes, lots of heart and had very little drama throughout the season. The girls worked hard and improved during the year; here are a couple of examples: The first match of the season we defeated Caney Valley 26-24, 23-25, 25-21 but three weeks later won 25-7, 25-15. First time Udall played us, they easily defeated us 20-25, 12-25 but at sub-state we defeated them easily 25-14, 25-19. Coach Ratcliff and I couldn't be prouder of a bunch of girls. The leadership shown by our four seniors (Morgan Holcomb, Reagan Heimgartner, Matty Totty and Kylee Weis) was fantastic. Sometimes they would encourage or get on girls if they weren't focused, they planned social activities and also led by example. This team really understood the definition of "team", because they were!

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"Definitely a season I won't forget playing on the court one last time with my best friends and family" - Kylee Weis

"I am incredibly proud of this team. I am so happy to call each one of them family." - Morgan Holcomb

"This season was so much fun. I am so proud of us for making it to state and for always trying to do our best. But at the end of the day, I won't remember what games we won or lost I will remember all the amazing memories that were made with each and every one of my amazing teammates. Y'all are bros!" - Reagan Heimgartner

"This season was an interesting one, to say the least. I am very proud of what this team has accomplished. I will miss them dearly." - Matison Totty



All MS Volleyball Teams Undefeated For Second Year in a Row!!!

The middle school volleyball teams (A team, B team & C team) all were undefeated this year. They were also undefeated last year. We had a total of 18 girls out for volleyball this year.

The C team was 5-0. Starters were Katelyn Corter, Jordyn Finley, Hannah Bailey, Yeva Taylor, Emma Anderson, and Taylor Brown. All six of these girls also played some on our B team.



The B team was 8-0 with starters Keira Poston, Brylee Heimgartner, Joliene Dragoo, Karsyn Flores, Charli Bohnen and Cami Finley.

The varsity's 17 - 0 record comes as no surprise. Five of the top eight players came from last year's undefeated team. Those five players (Harlee Randall, Rylie Wright, Paige Corter, Emily Scribner & Tagen Carney) all became starters on this year's team.

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From the Desk of the Superintendent, Jeremy Boldra

Bond Facilities Update

Roofs: About two-thirds of our buildings received roofs this past Spring. All roofs in the district except the old Varsity Gym (with the Gable Roof) and the metal buildings have a TPO roof system which has a 20-year warranty. We are experiencing no leaks as a result and it is wonderful.

Multi-purpose Gym and Cassoday Primary

Gym: These floors were resurfaced in the color grey with a similar floor system over the old system. The reason for going over the old system was because the old system has mercury in it, and it was very expensive to remove. The new system has no mercury and should be a very durable floor. We are very excited about the floors as we wanted the floors to be learning spaces for our elementary as well as practice gyms, and we believe we achieved that goal.

Carpet: Almost all of the carpet in the district was replaced. Only a few areas like closets and storage rooms did not receive new carpet. We used carpet squares and they have literally brightened the hallways and classrooms.

Auditorium: The auditorium received a huge make over. All new seating, new stage lighting and audio system. We also retiled and added new carpet in the aisles with some capital outlay money. This is an amazing space now and we feel confident you will love this space when you visit.

Windows and Doors: All of the windows and almost all of the old doors at Rosalia were replaced with double-paned glass windows that look more modern and bring more efficiency to our heating and cooling systems. They now match what we did in Cassoday a few years ago. Several doors also received ADA operators to assist our elderly and handicapped patrons as well as potential students who have disabilities (this was also upgraded at Cassoday). Doors were also equipped with maglocks for security. The doors and windows have really helped to give the Intermediate School and High School a facelift.

Security System: With new windows and doors, it was important to update our security system with some new cameras and software that coordinates with the ADA operators and maglocks.

Concrete/Asphalt: We have updated the entrance of the high school and repaired some areas around the district that needed concrete repair or replacement. You may have noticed the area between the new football stadium bleachers and the concession stand looks great and is a much more functional space. The Cassoday asphalt playground area also received new asphalt, basketball goals, and painted basketball court, four-square areas, and a kickball diamond. The concrete and asphalt have really enhanced the aesthetic look and safety of these areas.

Ag Building: The Ag building across the street is almost complete with a classroom, bathrooms, storage, and three stalls for animals. It will be equipped to doctor animals and to learn hands-on about agricultural animals.

Tech Addition: The tech addition as we call it is almost complete with an area for working on small engines connected to what will be our welding area. The tech addition is equipped with a "Clean Room".

Bus Barn and Maintenance Building: Across the street, the Bus Barn is complete, and will soon be joined by a bus maintenance building. The maintenance building will be completely up by the time of this reading. It will really be nice to get the buses across the street and away from our Track and Football field to accommodate more event parking.

8-Lane Track and Stadium Bleachers: The track is almost complete and will probably be complete by the time of this reading, but only needs a rubber surface with lines to finalize the project. The stadium bleachers and press box look really clean and sturdy to enjoy for many fall and spring evenings. The scoreboard and play clocks should also be installed at the time of your reading. The 8-lane track will allow us to host regional and league championship events.

Baseball/Softball Field & Concession

Stand/Bathrooms: This is one of the last projects and should be done by Thanksgiving. Work has just begun on it. However, the Concession stand and bathrooms that were built next to it looks amazing and like it's always been a part of the school. The Concession Stand is very close to being complete, and we're very excited to be able to use this space.

Beyond the Bond

Our Custodial Staff worked hard to paint a lot of door and window jams as well as hallway and gym areas throughout the district. Additionally, faculty and staff painted classrooms to match a color template the district decided on. Custodial staff has also been replacing ceiling tiles, and did some remodeling in the ag room as well as the science room to create better learning spaces. Through capital outlay funds, we also had all lockers in Rosalia painted red to decorate our school in school colors. We are excited about the new look in our district.

SPARK Grant

Butler County received \$13.8 million in federal aid for COVID costs called SPARK funds. Each school district in Butler County was able to apply for some of these funds. Stephanie Girty and I worked hard as we applied for these funds. We were ecstatic to hear that we received more than \$393,000 in SPARK funds. We are receiving \$51,342.71 in reimbursements for money already spent on COVID supplies. Additionally, we are receiving \$342,000 for future COVID expenses that we must spend by December 30, 2020. This averages out to be about \$1415 per pupil which is more than twice what any other Butler County district received per pupil. One of the first items that we have purchased to have installed is air purifiers in every HVAC Unit. These air purifiers kill 99.4% of the airborne germs in a classroom within 30 minutes. We are also installing touchless sinks and toilets throughout the district. We've ordered enough iPads to go 1:1 through the elementary school. We will be hiring another custodian to help clean district facilities.

COVID-19

COVID-19 has caused us to open schools with caution and certain protocols have been placed upon us, but we have opened with far fewer restrictions than most schools in our area. USD #492 Board of Education voted that wearing masks during school would be optional for students and staff. However, additional restrictions must be followed according to KSHSAA and the South Central Border League (SCBL). Some of the steps we have taken are listed below, and in parentheses, I have indicated which organizations have made the requirements. Some of the requirements are in place so that the kids can participate in events. All recommendations have

been made or supported by the Kansas Department of Education.

We take temperatures of all students and personnel before they enter an enclosed area like a school bus or building. We log the temperature for baseline data. If they have a fever, they are not allowed to enter the bus or building and they are sent home.

We take temperatures prior to eating lunch and require that they sanitize or wash their hands.

We take temperatures of athletes after school and prior to practice and games (KSHSAA).

We are socially distancing kids in classrooms as much as we can.

We ask kids and staff to socially distance in hallways and commons areas as much as possible.

We space kids out at lunch. Only 3 kids per table.

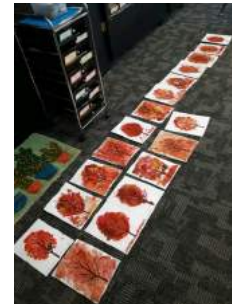
We ask kids and staff to wash their hands frequently.

We require coaches, officials, and sport participants to wear masks when not playing/performing (SCBL & KSHSAA).

We require spectators to wear masks at indoor events (SCBL) and we encourage social distancing.

We have been limited to 25% seating capacity for spectators at indoor events, so each student participant grades 6-11 is granted 2 tickets per event for parents/guardians/sibling, and each 12th grader is granted 3 tickets per event (SCBL).

The First and Second Graders will have artwork hanging at Rick and Jennys soon. Here is a preview.



Letter from Mr. Hunter, the middle/high school principal....

Hello Mustang Families,

The start of the year brings with it a sense of excitement as the hallways and classrooms are, once again, filled with students, staff, and community members. As we move past our first nine weeks of school, I am proud to say that our school community has been amazing!

While there is still so much change and uncertainty in our society, the one thing we can count on is that our Flinthills' community remains strong. We recognize that in these changing times our children need support from both the home and school. Our teachers and staff are dedicated and determined to build mentoring relationships with our students while providing an excellent education. Our students have transitioned back into the school and have been ready and willing to learn new content provided by our staff. Our Flinthills families are supporting their students, while providing positive encouragement to our faculty and staff.

We greatly appreciate your support and partnership. We understand that the proper classroom atmosphere for learning must be an environment that is safe, stable, and caring. The content must be challenging and enable students to develop personal responsibility and integrity. The best education is one where the home, school, and community partner together for the well-being of every child.

There are exciting changes happening at our school as a result of Flinthills being selected as an Apollo II redesign district last school year. KSDE Redesign is designed to support Kansas' vision for education and help better prepare Kansas students to prosper in an increasingly changing and competitive society. Redesign falls into the following four categories: Student Success Skills; Family, Business, and Community Partnership; Personalized Learning; and Real World Application. Our staff has been discussing and brainstorming ways to provide a better well-rounded educational experience for our students and families. We are excited about the additional training and the opportunity to include our school community to enhance student learning.

As always please feel free to contact me via email (m.hunter@usd492.org) or call the school at 620-476-2215. We are looking forward to a great year!

-Mr. Michael Hunter

Sophomores will be taking the ASVAB test on Friday, November 6th. The ASVAB is an aptitude test that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success. Career exploration composite scores help students understand their verbal, math, and science/technical skills. These are used exclusively for career exploration purposes.



Introducing...

Janae Mettling is our new counselor this year. She and her husband Jason have 4 children: Ellasyn, Edyn, Ensley, and Stratton. They live in Augusta.

She has spent these first months getting to know the students and teachers so she could determine what the interests and needs are.

She earned her Bachelors in History from the University of Kansas and her Masters in School Counseling from Fort Hays State University.

Mrs. Mettling said, "I love Flinthills! I am happy to be part of such a community focused school that makes students the top priority. The staff here is wonderful to work with and I am enjoying getting to meet all the students."

We'd Like to Recognize...

September Middle School Student of the Month

Levi Beard

Parents – Carissa Long and Robert Beard

Hobbies – Fishing and hanging out with Brock

Activities – Basketball, football and wrestling

Favorite Class - Trapping



September High School Student of the Month

Gavin Girty

Parents – Dan & Stephanie Girty

Hobbies – Trimming horses and hanging with friends

Activities – Wrestling, FFA and football

Favorite Class - Agribusiness



September Employee of the Month

Julie Rosenquist

Mrs. Rosenquist is in her fourth year teaching English /Language Arts/Social Studies/Yearbook at Flinthills. She is always finding engaging ways to reach her students and pushes the students to achieve their personal best. She steps up and assists wherever there is a need, is helpful to her peers, and is an asset to Flinthills. Mrs. Rosenquist is patient and has a great sense of humor.

Mrs. Rosenquist will receive a certificate and a Flinthills Messenger Bag.



Classes—Where the Learning Begins

Eighth graders studied early Americans in Social Studies class. Students investigated Beringia, a land bridge connecting Asia with North America, and early people's migratory patterns. Students completed research projects in groups that investigated the lives of these people and the locations of their settlements. They studied Cuzco, Pueblo Bonito, The Cahokia Mounds, The Great Serpent Mound, Lake Texcoco, Mesa Verde, Machu Picchu, and the La Brea Tar Pit. Students discovered reasons each of these locations was important to early Americans.

To complete the unit and demonstrate how resources were crafted by skilled hands, students spent a few days weaving baskets.

"I think it is important for students to experience something tangible that relates to a period they study. This helps students connect with these cultures and develop their skills at crafting a useful item," said Mrs. Rosenquist, their Social Studies teacher. "I used the Zoom App to display close-up instructions on the SMART Board. This was very helpful because kids could see up close how to start the reeds in the base and how to make a finished edge. Technology helped us learn about techniques from hundreds of years ago."



Eighth grader, Konner Griffith said, "We should do basket weaving for a Choice class. This is fun."

"I am adding beads to mine because it should look pretty," said Tagen Carney as she selected coral and turquoise beads to add.

"Mine is more of a hat," Tylan Willard mused. "I will flip it over and use it that way."

Finished baskets were on display at Parent-Teacher Conferences.

-Mrs. Julie Rosenquist



Practicing for the Test

This fall our school administered the PreACT test and the PreACT 8/9. The PreACT test was administered to sophomores on Wednesday, October 7th. The PreACT 8/9 test was administered to freshmen on Tuesday, October 13th.

These tests provide students with practice for the ACT test and measure progress towards college readiness. English, Math, Reading and Science are evaluated.

Since achievement testing is a critical component of our school's instructional program, the PreACT package of tests provide valuable information to students, parents, and teachers about academic progress. It also becomes a teaching resource for our faculty, allowing us to collect student data that, in turn, helps us make wise decisions in meeting the learning needs of our students.

-Mrs. Janae Mettling

Seniors and their parents were invited to attend a FAFSA night on Tuesday, October 20th. A representative from Butler County Community College Financial Aid Department was there to help with the FAFSA process.

If you were unable to attend and have questions, please call or email Mrs. Mettling.

Classes—Where the Learning Begins



Bow to your partner!

Mr. Scribner, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Sorum and Mrs. Grover combined their classes so students could learn how to square dance.

It started with Mrs. Grover’s Middle School Choir class learning about the history of Country and Western music. She talked to Mr. Scribner who has taught square dancing before, and they decided to take two class periods and let the students have the experience of square dancing.

To even out the number of boys/girls so there would be actual “squares” with four boys and four girls in each, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Sorum brought their classes in.

The students started at the beginning with “Bow to your partner; bow to your corner” and learned how to do many steps the first day. Then, the second day, they put it together with the music and spent the hour square dancing.

Many of the students commented that it was a lot more fun than they had thought it would be.

-Mrs. Joan Grover



ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

The Brew Crew

You may have heard of the “Brew Crew” in passing and wondered who/what that was. It’s an entrepreneurial club started by Mrs. Austin in the form of a Coffee Shop called “Stomping Grounds”. It is run by both middle and high school students who are learning time management, how to count money, prepare & deliver orders, and other aspects of running a business.

While technically a coffee shop, surprisingly, coffee is only about 1% of our orders, and is only available for high school students. The student favorite is the Cookies & Cream smoothie, along with a variety of fruit smoothies including Mango, Strawberry, 4-Berry and Tropical Sunshine.

Our product comes from a company in California and is natural with few, if any, added sugars or preservatives. Smoothies are \$3 and are a great healthy mid-day snack!

-Mrs. Michal Austin



FFA Goes on Retreat

On July 23rd through the 25th the FFA officers along with sponsor Mr. Demel and female chaperone Ms. Thompson took a trip to Manhattan, Kansas.

The officers include Gavin Girty, Cooper Studebaker, Cael Sorum, Riggan Carney, Emma Weber, Karly Girty, and Laura Scribner.

They worked on plans for the incoming school year along with various teamwork activities like an escape room and zip lining. The Officer team says, “We were very thankful to have the opportunity to go on this trip and we have an exciting year planned!” A good time was had by all.

-Mr. Ryan Demel



FFA Open to Everyone

FFA is a student – run organization that promotes agriculture in the school and community. Students involved are working to develop our new ag facility, They attend livestock or plant judging contests and educate others about the importance and impact of agriculture. We also plan and put on Farm Day, attend speaking contests, and attend the Kansas State Fair.

The Flinthills FFA chapter has 31 members. We have six officers: President Gavin Girty, Vice-President Riggan Carney, Secretary Karly Girty, Treasurer Laura Scribner, Reporter Emma Weber, Sentinel Cooper Studebaker, and Student Advisor Cael Sorum.

We meet once a month, but the date varies as many of our members are also involved in many other extracurricular activities. Usually around this time every year, we are planning to attend the National FFA Convention but this year, the FFA Convention has been adapted into an online format. It is from Tuesday, October 27th to Thursday the 29th. Anyone can watch the general session speakers on RFD TV or the Cowboy Channel.

The community can support the FFA by participating in the various fundraisers we put on, being a supporter of agribusiness, and promoting the organization to others.

-Laura Scribner and Karly Girty



Flinthills 4-H Club

At the September meeting of the Flinthills 4-H Club, officers were elected for the coming 4-H year. The officers are: President Sidney Sorum, Vice President Kolby Holcomb, Secretary Kyle Parker, Treasurer Janey Christian, Reporter Luke Parker, Parliamentarian Kristina Smith, and Recreation Leaders Remington Waller and Makinsey Waller.

Anyone interested in learning more about 4-H or joining can contact Travis Holcomb at 316-323-4213.

Flinthills 4-H Reporter – Luke Parker

CASSODAY BOOSTERS 4-H

#Opportunity4all

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club kicked off the 2020-2021 4-H year by participating in National 4-H Week activities October 5-10. Club members shared information about 4-H and their projects at all Flinthills schools. They also showed their 4-H pride by wearing green or by wearing 4-H shirts during the week.

4-H Week wrapped up with 48 Hours of 4-H. 48 Hours of 4-H was created as a way to challenge 4-H members to explore their service capabilities — "To Make the Best Better" and was celebrated in every extension unit across Kansas.

For their 48 Hours of 4-H service project, the Cassoday Boosters removed tree stumps and weeds from the west side of the Cassoday primary school. The club also planted mums in a Cassoday park.

The next meeting of the Cassoday Boosters 4-H club will be Monday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the primary school in Cassoday. If you are interested in 4-H, join us and see what 4-H is all about! For more information please contact Tresa Garcia at garciatresa@gmail.com or 316-323-9045.

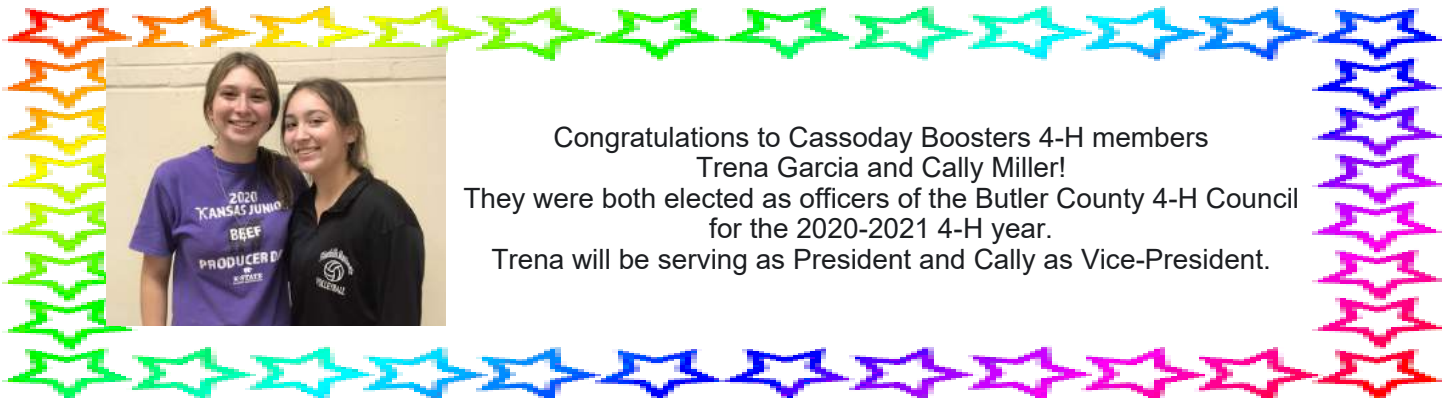
-Trena Garcia, President



Members of the Cassoday Boosters during 48 Hours of 4-H Service Project



Congratulations to Cassoday Boosters 4-H members
Trena Garcia and Cally Miller!
They were both elected as officers of the Butler County 4-H Council
for the 2020-2021 4-H year.
Trena will be serving as President and Cally as Vice-President.



Sports News

Photos by Melissa Scribner



High School Volleyball (Cont from p. 1)

This year was different than any other, not just because of covid19 but also because we continually changed things. We started the year running a 6-2 but changed quickly to a hybrid 5-1 with Karly Girty running the setter position. The year started with 8 people in the rotation and finished the year with 11. We had four different people play one outside hitter position and we were constantly changing our backrow people. With all these changes the girls handled it beautifully. In fact, more girls will letter this year (twelve) than in any other.

The high school volleyball team qualified for state by winning their sub-state. This is only the sixth time our volleyball team has gone to State. The Lady Mustangs received a first round bye and then defeated Central Burden 25-16, 25-21. The first set was easily won but the second set Central was leading 19 – 21 when Kylee Weis went back to serve. Kylee served six straight serve points with the last one being an ace to secure the victory 25-21. In the championship match we played the host school Udall. In the first set we got off to an early start and coasted to a 25 – 14 win. The second set we started off even better leading 17 -3 but then Udall came roaring back but could not overcome our large lead. We finally won 25 – 19 to earn our trip to the state tournament. The girls served 96% for the day with Matty Totty, Karly Girty, Savannah McCreight all serving perfect. Reagan Heimgartner provided the firepower with 18 kills followed by Morgan Holcomb with 12 and Madison Alvord with 10. Amanda Brown and Karly Girty both serve received very well. This was definitely our best outing of the season, especially our free ball passing.



Our JV had a fantastic season as well. Coach Ratcliff challenged them making them a better team. They went undefeated until the last match of the year when they lost to Olpe in three sets. These girls also improved during the season and challenged the varsity making them better. Members of this team were Sydney Sorum, Madison Alvord, Amanda Brown, Kolby Holcomb, Alexis Schills, Yana Taylor, Callie Cordts, Zara Thomas, Taylor Sutton and Megan Rose. Other members of the team who couldn't finish the season because of personal reasons were Taren Lakin and Hayli Newman.

Coach Ratcliff and I would like to thank these girls for this season and a special thanks to the seniors for all the hard work and years they have put in. We may not remember the 20 wins and 13 losses, but we will remember, this team made it to state, the teams' unity and how much fun this team was to coach.

-Coach Kent Harms



High School Football

The Flinthills Football Team has a season that will hopefully become a solid building block for the future. With very few returning starters, the Mustangs were able to show improvement throughout the year, but struggled to win the close games. Featuring a strong running attack running behind the "Trench Gang" of lineman, allowed the Mustangs to control the clock in many of the ball games. (Cont on p. 37)



The JV Football team played 4 games this 2020 season. The young Mustangs competed against Sedan, West Elk, Chase County and Cedarvale Dexter. While all 4 games ended in losses, the young squad showed many positives for the future.

In the first three matches the JV squad of only 9-11 players took on teams that suited out 18-20 players. In all three games the Mustangs never gave up and fought hard for the entirety of each game. These young men have grit.

The fourth game versus Cedarvale was a nail biter all the way down to the final seconds as the Spartans scored in the final 30 seconds to win 28 to 26.

The young Mustangs opened up the playbook and showed promise with both the spread and passing games. Out of the 10 young men playing JV, 4 players are also seeing substantial time on the field for Varsity on Friday nights as well. The future is bright for these young men.

-Coach Chase Casteel



Middle School Football

The Middle School Mustang Football team had a long frustrating season with games canceled and postponed, but we managed to get 6 of our 7 games played. We started the year with 9 boys, none of whom had played football here before. After we got started we picked up one then lost one. The Mustangs were only able to play 8 man one time this year; the rest of the games we had to play 6 man.

It was quite an improvement from where we started to where we ended. We won our final game of the season defeating Central Burden 44-0 to finish with a 1 and 5 record. The nice thing is that we will return many starters for next season and add quite a few new 7th graders, so our numbers should be on an upswing.

I personally would like to thank all the parents and fans for going through all the restrictions this year and supporting our boys with pride.

-Coach Eric Sorum



FLINTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE PRESENTS...

FRENCH TOAST and *A LITTLE PRINCESS*



FHS Theatre Students are working diligently to prepare for the Friday (November 13th), Saturday (November 14th), and Sunday (November 15th) performances of the comedy *French Toast* and the drama *A Little Princess*. Both shows, which are One-Acts, will be presented on each performance date.

French Toast is full of fun and unexpected surprises as future bridegroom, Stoney Jones, deals with unexpected visitors.

A Little Princess focuses on the life of Sara Crewe, who endures challenges after personal misfortune. The play is based on Francis Hodgson Burnett's novel of the same name.

Both stories have been fine studies for FHS students, as *French Toast* takes place in the 1940's and *A Little Princess* in 19th Century London. Mrs. McCreight says, "The shows are two of my favorites, and I have been waiting for the right actor mix to produce them."

Ticket Sales are different given the challenge of Covid. We will only have one hundred fifty seats will be available for each show. **No tickets will be available for purchase at the door on performance nights.**

To attend a performance, you will need to present a voucher instead of a ticket. Vouchers for each performance will be sold in the lobby of Flinthills High School from 2:30 to 6:30 on Monday (November 9), Tuesday (November 10) and Wednesday (November 11). They are \$7 each. Pre-paid vouchers for each performance date must be purchased by Wednesday, November 11th.

If there are any remaining seats available after Wednesday, you can purchase them by contacting any Drama member or Mrs. McCreight.

Vouchers must be brought to the ticket table in the lobby on the performance evening, and specific seating will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

Doors to the school will open for sponsors with sponsor passes at 6:00 with immediate seating after seats are assigned at the ticket table.

Doors to the school will open for those with vouchers at 6:15 and specific seating assignments will begin with immediate seating.

Audience members first in line will simply hand the voucher to the ticket table person, and choose seating while looking at the large auditorium chart posted behind the ticket table. Seating will be separated to help assure safe distancing during the show. A specific seat ticket with row and seat number will then be issued to help the ushers escort patrons to their seats.

Shows will begin at 7:00 on Friday and Saturday, with a 2:00 matinee on Sunday.

Join us for a fun night of entertainment in our recently remodeled FHS Theatre where comfortable seats, new carpet, and technologically advanced sound and light systems have been installed.

-Mrs. Julie McCreight

The Cast of *French Toast* includes: Stoney-Cael Sorum, Charlie-Kolton Stanfield, Nancy-Kaily Gilman, Mrs. Smith-Morgan Holcomb, Nanette-Savannah McCreight, Madame de Tour-Reagan Heimgartner, Susan-Laura Scribner, Mary-Madilynn Thomas, William-Braiden Neeley, James-Keaton Jones.

The Cast of *The Little Princess* includes: Ermengarde-Alexis Hatvick, Lottie-Reagan Heimgartner, Jessie-Callie Cordts, Lavinia-Laura Scribner, Miss Amelia-Savannah McCreight, Miss Minchin-Morgan Holcomb, Becky-Kaily Gilman, Mr. Barrow-Philip Harris, Sara Crewe-Adley Humig, Mrs. Carmichael-Madilynn Thomas, Cook-Sydney Sorum, Ram Dass-Austin Mantanona, Perkins-Chloe Wieckhorst, Mr. Carrisford-Cael Sorum, Mr. Carmichael-Conner Sigg.

The Crew of Both Shows includes: Stage Manager-Trena Garcia. Backstage Crew-Yana Taylor, Abbigale Hilyard, Kolby Holcomb, and Madison Alvord. House Crew-Tate Leslie, Kody Schafer, Karly Girty and Danica Leis. Sound Crew: Master-Heaton Griffin, Conner Sigg. Light Crew: Master-Jonathan McCreight, Adley Humig. Publicity-5th Hour Drama. Make-up Crew-Kolby Holcomb, Karly Girty. Costumes: Master-Laura Scribner, Yana Taylor, Danica Leis. Set-6th Hour Shop Class and Middle School Drama.



We'd Like to Recognize...

October Middle School Student of the Month

Kylea Jones

Parents – Heather and Matt Jones

Hobbies – Drawing, coloring, singing, playing the flute, and making crafts.

Activities – Band

Favorite Class - Math and Choice Class



October High School Student of the Month

Keaton Jones

Parents – Heather and Matt Jones

Hobbies – Driving four wheelers and playing Minecraft

Activities – Baseball

Favorite Class - Math

October Employee of the Month

Michael Hunter

Mr. Hunter is in his first year as the Middle/High School Principal but has served in a similar role for many years. Mr. Hunter was nominated by Michal Austin. He was characterized as one who has brought a calm grace to our district. He quietly motivates students and staff. He forms positive relationships, knows all of the students' names, and promotes positivity with grace. Additionally, he has stepped up to coach the Middle School Boys' Basketball team. He has been a wonderful addition to our administrative team and staff in general. Mr. Hunter will receive a certificate and a Flinthills Backpack.



★ CONCESSION STAND ★

A great way to support Flinthills organizations is by visiting the concession stand at home sporting events. Many organizations take turns working the concession stand. These groups receive the profits from shifts they work and use the money to fund various activities and events. Some of the groups fundraising through Flinthills concession stands include Washington D.C., Middle School and High School Cheerleaders, After Prom, Junior Class (to raise funds for prom), the Football team, PTO and Booster Club. So hotdog, hamburger, or nacho, whatever your favorite is, get it from the concession stand and help the students do more!



Middle School Cheerleaders Work Concessions at a Recent Volleyball Game

Introducing...

Although Tammy Brown has been a part of the USD #492 family for a while, she is taking on a new role for the 2020 school year as our 5th Grade Teacher.

Mrs. Brown is a Flinthills High School alumni and earned her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Wichita State University. She and her husband Aaron have three children—Gina and Levi Lowe, Cari Brown, and Amanda Brown.. They live in El Dorado.

She said, “Flinthills has always been my home! I’m enjoying taking on a new role after being a para here for 8 years. I am blessed to be surrounded by such a supportive community!”

Ryan Demel is another new teacher who has a history with Flinthills. He was our Wrestling Coach last year and this year he is our Agriculture Teacher.

Mr. Demel earned his Bachelors degree from York College of Nebraska. He and his wife Erin have one son, Ryder Demel, and live in El Dorado.

He loves the atmosphere at Flinthills and is excited for the facilities to be finished. “Then, we will be able to run livestock and get the kids real hands-on learning experiences.”





James Hayes is our new High School Math Teacher. He earned a Bachelors in Secondary Mathematics Education from Kansas Newman College and a Masters in Administration from Fort Hays State University. He and his wife Tiffany have two children—Abbygail and Michael Hayes and live in Wichita..

He thinks Flinthills already feels like a family atmosphere and is a good school. He hopes he can help everyone here believe that they can be good at Math again.



Michael Hunter, our new MS/HS principal and his wife Robin have two sons who are attending Flinthills: Josh and Jake.

He earned his Bachelors of Arts in Education from Tabor College and his Master of Arts in Educational School Leadership from Baker University.

He said, “Flinthills has a very supportive community and faculty. It has been a great transition. The faculty, staff, and community have been very supportive.”



Janet Johnson is the new Primary Special Education Resource teacher this year. She and her husband Curt have three children: Sam Johnson, Courtney Johnson, and Addy Cunningham.

From Emporia State, she has earned her Bachelors of Arts in Elementary Education, Masters of Science in Special Education K-12 (students with mild to moderate disabilities), and an Autism certificate. She also earned a Masters of Education in Special Education K-12 (students with moderate to severe disabilities) from Southwestern College.

She feels Flinthills is a wonderful place to be! “The staff, students, and people are very welcoming and helpful.” J She has plans for the future to be an advocate to assist parents who have children with special needs. She would assist them is finding proper placement and/or postsecondary care or structure and how to apply for guardianship.



Ann Mitchell is the Speech/Language Pathologist for Flinthills this year. She and her husband Mike have three children—Michael, Wyatt, and Jewel.

She earned an Associate of Liberal Arts for BCCC, a Bachelors of Arts in Communicative Disorders and Sciences from WSU as well as a MA in Communicative Disorders and Sciences from WSU. She has also earned an 18 hour accreditation in Autism Disorders from PSU/FHSU.

Mrs. Mitchell enjoys the close community atmosphere and the positive environment in our school. She said, “I love working in rural school districts, and feel more ‘at home’ here since I live in Howard and have worked in rural settings for the majority of my career.” Since the district did not have an “in-house” speech pathologist last year, she will be focusing on providing appropriate speech/language services to those students who qualify.

Homecoming 2020



Fall Homecoming was a blast! The week consisted of fun games, dress-up days, the football game, and the dance to top off the week.

Monday was Red Carpet Day where students showed their school spirit by dressing up like famous stars walking the red carpet, and some even dressed up as the red carpet itself. The game for the day was mat gliding where students rolled up in mats to get to the other side of the gym.

Students demonstrated their spirit by wearing Class Colors on Tuesday. Freshmen wore yellow, sophomores wore purple, juniors wore green, and seniors wore orange. The game was table surfing; this game got the whole class involved. Each class picked a classmate to ride on top of a table while the rest laid under the table rolling so that it went over them.

Wednesday was Classic Movies and Sitcom Day where students dressed up as characters from many movies such as the pink ladies from *Grease* and there was even a Chewbacca from *Star Wars*. The game for Wednesday was called paper burrito where students from each class had to quickly roll themselves up in a long piece of paper and then unravel.

Thursday was Gangster and Rock and Roll Day.

For the game, the students got mummified as they wrapped a classmate in toilet paper.

Friday students rocked their red and black! They spent the day decorating and having a great time. Classes battled it out in a volleyball tournament and then the girls from each class played what was supposed to be flag football. The girls didn't shy away from any action. The football boys coached the girls so I guess we did have pretty great coaches on the sideline.

Morgan Holcomb and Austin Mantanona were crowned our Homecoming Queen and King. The other candidates were Reagan Heimgartner, Heaton Griffin, Chole Wiekhorst, and [REDACTED]. Crowning our candidates were last year's 2019 winners: Issac Bugner and Sarah Hinnen.

Helping with the presentation were the kindergarten escorts of the class of 2033: Hudson Hinde, son of David and Katie Hinde; Morgan Dragoo, daughter of Matt and Amanda Dragoo; Jayci Teter daughter of Nate and Sherry Teter; and Reagan Waller, daughter of John and Dawn Waller. This group of girls was chosen particularly because all of their fathers played football together from 2001-2003.

-Reagan Heimgartner



Photos by James Heimgartner





Senior Night

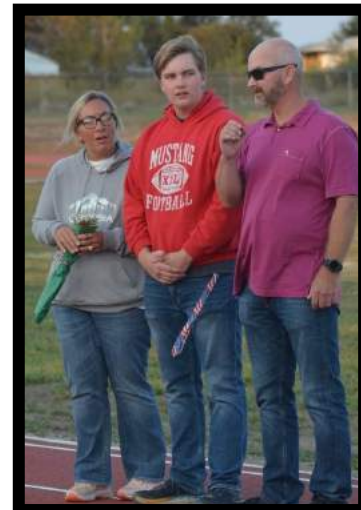


Our Senior Mustang Athletes and their parents were celebrated on Friday, October 9th prior to the Central Football game. Ten seniors were commemorated for their dedication and love of the game.

When asked what her favorite memory of the team was Coach Ratcliff replied, "The 2021 seniors have been a joy to coach! They work well together and encourage one another to have a positive attitude. This may be the most coachable group I have had. They always ask questions and desire to improve. They also keep fighting and never give up when faced with adversity. They will be missed!"

The Lady Mustangs are sitting in a very good position right now with a record of 17—12. Coach Harms commented when asked about his senior girls, "Kylee Weis is MS hustle. She gives it her all when she is playing and leads by example. Kylee plays a hybrid position on the front row. Morgan Holcomb is our go-to person when we need a kill. Morgan has become a very good hitter. She is also one of our vocal leaders. Reagan Heimgartner has developed into a pretty good outside hitter. She is also one of our vocal leaders, but her best quality is she keeps things entertaining and not too serious. This seems to help the team to stay calm under pressure. Reagan plays all the way around. Matty Totty is a survivor. She has fought so many injuries that could have kept her from playing, but she is still playing. She is also a vocal leader and does a great job of leading by example. Matty serves and plays the backrow. Chloe Weickhorst is our manager. Chloe tries to juggle her busy schedule so she can help us, and does a pretty good job of it. The Lady Mustangs next round of action is scheduled for October 24th.

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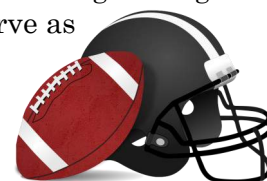
Class of 2021

While their record doesn't reflect their heart, the Mustangs show up for practice and game days with the intention of gaining a victory. Coach Daniel Scribner stated when asked about his senior players what attributes they gave to the team, "Kody has brought a lot of positivity to the team. He has never played before, but loves adding energy to practice, and Tucker Travnichek has shown great leadership in his only year of playing football. Austin Mantanona is great at understanding the grind of the sport. He is always putting in the time during the off-season while [redacted] shows great flexibility. He plays multiple positions on both sides of the ball.

Making memories is what high school activities are all about. This also holds true for coaches. When asked if he had a favorite memory of a player Coach Casteel replied, "Mine would definitely be from Homecoming. We had two seniors competing for Homecoming King and it was awesome to see the entire team support both candidates equally and both candidates themselves supporting one another, even in defeat. The Mustangs will play again Friday October 23 at Udall.

All of these things could not be accomplished without the help of the Mustang Managers at the beck and call of the players. Chloe Wieckhorst and Heaton Griffin serve as managers to the Mustangs respectively in volleyball and football.

The Mustang Community wishes to extend their gratitude to the senior athletes and their parents.



Cheerleaders Stay Busy



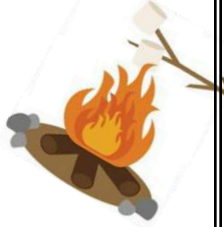
The Flinthills Cheerleaders have been busy the past few months bringing school spirit to sporting events and more. There are 13 cheerleaders on the middle school squad being coached by Casey Cartmell, and 9 on high school squad being coached by Robin Hunter. The teams joined together for a pizza/poster night where they spent time getting to know one another and creating lockers signs and run through banners for the fall season.


On top of practicing all summer, after school and on the weekends, they've added fundraising to their list of things to do. The middle school squad worked concession stands to purchase new cheer jackets, and the high school squad held the Mini Mustang Cheer Clinic where they met several times with the elementary students to teach them cheers and a dance before performing at a high school game. Both squads have shown a great level of dedication and will continue to cheer on our athletes during the winter season.



The elementary cheerleaders performing alongside the high school cheerleaders at the October 16th football game.

The middle school cheerleaders preparing the run-through banner for the football team at a home game.

 <p>Cassoday Community Church</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cassoday Community Church Soup Supper & Smore's Thursday, November 19, 2020 5 pm – 8 pm</p>		
<p>This is a come and go event for anyone interested in a warm bowl of soup and some fellowship. We will also have a firepit where the kids (and the kids at heart) can make and enjoy a smore. Information will also be available during this event concerning the changes that the church has undergone over the past year and what those changes mean to the community of Cassoday. This is a free event – we sincerely hope that you will join us!</p>			

<p><i>Does anyone know the answer?</i></p>	
<p>The high school art room tables were originally in the library. They became school board tables before being moved to the art room. This summer one of the tables was flipped over onto another table. This is glued to the bottom of the table! Why, who, when? It's a cool mystery.</p>	
<p>If you know anything about how or why this is on the bottom of the tables, please tell Michal Austin.</p>	

Flinthills Student Council Apparel Sales

Flinthills StuCo will be in attendance at games this year again selling Flinthills Apparel.

Cash and/or checks will be accepted. Please make checks payable to USD 492.

We will quote you a price before we make anything and it can be picked up at ball games or sent home with your student.

The easiest way to order apparel is through the **Student Council Apparel Order Google Form**. You can find this form on the Flinthills Website. You can also find all of the options on the Website. Below we have pictured just a few.

Pricing is by item and size. If you order sizes above an adult XL, prices for us to order go up as well. We must charge more on sizes XXL, 3XL and up. We try and get our teams apparel items at as close to cost as we can so kids may buy an item at one price while parents may have to pay more.

We are working in house with our career and TECH-ED classes to try and customize our own unique apparel designs.

GENERAL PRICING

T-SHIRT	\$10
LONG SLEEVE	\$13
CREW	\$18
HOODIE	\$22
ZIP HOOD	\$25

NAMES AND NUMBERS

\$2.50 FULL NAME
\$2.50 NUMBER single digit or two
LARGER SIZES
2X ADD \$2
3X ADD \$3



Our School Just Keeps Getting Better!!!

We have a new look at the entrance.



New Concession Stand for Baseball and Softball



New gym floor at Cassoday



Art Room Updates





New Carpet and Paint in the Hallways



The new track!



New gym floor in the multi gym



Comfortable seats, new carpet, and technologically advanced sound and light systems have been installed as part of the theatre renovation.



New asphalt at Cassoday

Flinthills Primary and Intermediate

Letter from Mr. Gawith, the primary/intermediate principal....

What an interesting year 2020 is turning out to be, and I am sure that it will continue on the same path as we move towards 2021. With all of the events happening in the world today, none that seem exciting, there are many exciting events happening in the District. We have bond projects finishing up and the staff has started the Redesign process.

The bond projects have been getting completed and if you have not been to a football game and checked out the new bleachers and track, come check it out. The softball/baseball complex is getting closer to completion each day. It will be great come spring time and we can watch both games at the same time. Across the street the new bus barn is about ready to be moved in to; we have moved a few buses there already. The Ag classroom is going to benefit students of all ages as well.

Inside the buildings we have new carpet, windows, and new multipurpose floors. The auditorium has new seating, lights and sound. At the Primary building there is a new curtain and lights on the stage. All of the buildings have new paint and they all look great.

We were selected as an Apollo 2 redesign district last school year and the process of redesign started this fall. Redesign falls under 4 categories, 1. student success skills, 2. family, business, and community partnerships, 3. personalizing learning, and 4. real world applications. The staff has been working on what they feel school should look like as we move through the process. We will be asking parents about their school experience and how it could have been better.

School may never be the same as we negotiate the changes brought on by Covid 19, but with the process of redesign we can make it look however we want in the future.

-Mr. Larry Gawith



Intermediate Student of the Month Bella Wight

September 2020 – 4th Grade

Parents: Duke Wight and Tana Wight

Hobbies & Activities: Playing games with family, spending time with family & friends, sports and riding horses.

Favorite Class: Math



Intermediate Student of the Month Gleb Taylor

October 2020 – 3rd Grade

Parents: John Taylor and Svetlana Nikolskaya

Hobbies & Activities: Riding with his dad in the combine

Favorite Class: Recess

Halloween is Enjoyed by Mustangs of All Ages!



Boo!!



The Flinthills Primary School had a very fun day at Walter's Pumpkin Patch on Thursday, October 8th. We enjoyed a story about Spookley the Square Pumpkin, a tractor ride to choose a pumpkin and all the outside activities that the Pumpkin Patch has to offer. A big thank you to our PTO group for paying our way in and to our administration for allowing us to go on a field trip during these unprecedented times. We would also like to thank our PTO for our super cool t-shirts.





Flinthills Booster Club

The Flinthills Booster Club met Monday, September 28th, 2020. The discussion revolved around what direction we should take with the organization. It has evolved over the years from basically an adult “Pep Club” to support our athletic teams both at home and away games to a group that supports all of the middle and high school extra-curricular activities. As we talked about different ideas we realized that we needed to acknowledge the tremendous community support that the school receives. In an effort to define this community we decided that what began as the communities of Cassoday, Chelsea, Pontiac, Reece and Rosalia has become our Flinthills community. This led to a desire to celebrate all of these heritages that combine to make our unique, aptly named school district.

The decision was made to add a dedicated student and adult member representing each of the middle and high school classes. This will provide representatives to bring new ideas to the group and report back to each of the classes. We discussed different ways for this new and expanded group to help existing events or sponsor new events to recognize the heritage and alumni of all the areas that became the Flinthills School District.

It’s exciting to see the results of the current bond work throughout our school buildings and grounds. It’s just as exciting to imagine what we can accomplish in the district with events to celebrate our past while working toward our future. To achieve this goal, we need people to volunteer to help plan and make this a reality. Booster Club is open to anyone in the community whether you have a child currently enrolled or not. With a dedicated group working together there are no limits to what we can do.

Moments from Flinthills Primary



Our day starts with the Pledge of Allegiance.



Intermediate Students Learn About Integrity

The intermediate word of the month for October was Integrity. Students learned the importance of choosing to be truthful with whatever they say and do. They were challenged to practice integrity at home and school.

The intermediate students learned about Healthy and Unhealthy choices for Red Ribbon Week. The students learned that it is important to make healthy choices so that we can feel and do our best!

They did a great job deciding which choices are good for them and which are not.

-Mrs. Janae Mettling



Help Wanted:

Assistant Wrestling Coach

Wrestling season lasts from November 12 through the end of February. Practices are outside the school day. For more details and answers to your questions, please call Ryan Demel at 316-621-0223. You can also email him at r.demel@usd492.org



MS Volleyball (Cont from p. 1)

It is like a dream come true when a coach has that many players returning on a middle school team. These girls also practiced during the summer three days a week. This was something they asked for and it was certainly not mandatory. With the extra practice and that many returning players it was easy to imagine what might happen. 17-0!!!

The closest matches were against Argonia in the finals 25-14, 25-14 and against 3A Hesston 25-19, 25-12. The sixth starter was 7th grader Alex Scribner and other primary players contributing were Karsyn Flores, Joliene Dragoo and Brylee Heimgartner. This bunch is going to really be something in high school.

Lots of their success should go to their commitment to serving. All three teams' players don't miss their serves with the B team posting an amazing 91%. Coach Di does a great job of helping all girls improve on their skill level and she especially helps with their commitment to serving. It was a tremendous year and a year to remember. Coach Di and I are both so grateful for being given the opportunity to coach these girls.

-Coach Kent Harms

Photos by
Melissa
Scribner



Title I Program Information

Title I is a federal program that provides additional reading and/or math instruction. The students who qualify are not learning disabled. They just need extra help with math and reading.

What are the goals of Title I?

The Title I program strives to provide an environment that:

- Promotes a positive attitude toward reading
- Improves student achievement in reading and math
- Builds students' self-esteem and confidence

How does my child qualify for Title I?

Several different criteria are used to qualify a student. AimsWeb scores, Pathways to Reading assessments, and teacher recommendations are considered when referring a student for Title I services.

Will my child always be in the program?

No. We work closely with the classroom teacher to monitor student progress. When a student's reading or math achievement reaches their appropriate grade level, the student is dropped from the program if the Title I teacher and classroom teacher feel the student no longer needs the extra support.

How does Title I benefit my child?

The Title I teacher provides intensive individualized instruction to students who need it. As students experience success, they gain confidence in their abilities and the performance in the classroom improves.

Qualifications of Mrs. Ratcliff

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education
- Master of Science Degree in Instructional Specialist
- Licensed PreK-12 Reading Specialist

Qualifications of Mrs. Sangals

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education

Parents Right to Know

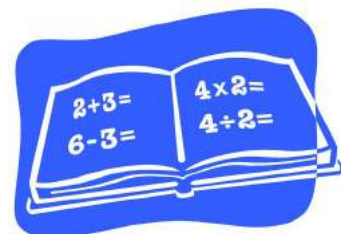
Under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's/children's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals including:

- Whether or not the teacher has met Kansas licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas being taught;
- The baccalaureate degree and any other graduate certification or degree and the field of discipline of both;
- If services are provided by paraprofessionals, their qualifications;
- If the teacher is teaching under an emergency or professional waiver.

Parents will be contacted by the school if their child(ren) is taught for four or more continuous weeks by a teacher that does not meet the appropriate state certification standards.

All students/families served in schoolwide buildings and students/families served in targeted assistance programs must complete a parent school compact.

All parents will be informed they have the right to request their child's/children's state assessment scores and they have a right to obtain the school and school district state report cards.



Shout Outs - 9-11-2020

Shout out to the custodial staff for getting our building clean & ready for the first day! You had a lot of challenges but you rocked! The buildings all look amazing! – Michal Austin

Shout out to Dennis for getting my kiln hooked up, my sink fixed and my projector screen hung! I appreciate it! – Michal Austin

Shout out to the Flinthills Staff for a great first two weeks of school. We have the best team ever! – Michal Austin

Shout out to our secretaries for getting the teachers going! What extraordinary patience you all have! – Michal Austin

Shout out to Mr. Hunter for a great start to the school year. The first two weeks went extremely smooth. – Michal Austin

Shout out to Daniel for all your work in getting iClass going. It was a huge task and the students are going to love it. – Michal Austin

Shout out to Mr. Boldra for all your work in getting our facilities where they are. The inside is beautiful and all the outer structures are going to enhance our district. Our students have mentioned how proud they are of their school! – Michal Austin

Shout out to our school board for supporting our staff & our students, and for making the hard decisions with everything going on right now. – Michal Austin

Thank you, Bill Edwards, for washing the stage with the high power floor machine. It really did a great job! Julie McCreight

Shout out to all the elementary teachers that are working a lot of extra hours to get their remote learners up and running. –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to all of the staff for all of the work and preparation put in to get our facilities ready for a new school year! It takes all of us! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all the teachers for your preparation to teach in an ever-changing world! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Chase Casteel and Larry Gawith for all of the help and correspondence with the cameras and security system. – Jeremy Boldra

Shout to Tiffany Cogdell and Kristin Sangals for always being willing help new staff and students navigate iPads and answers questions regarding other needs. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to the janitorial staff for the job they have done cleaning and disinfecting the school. –Ryan Demel

Shout out to Motorcycle Sunday Riders for all the school supplies they have donated over the last two months. It is very much appreciated. Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Greyson Swafford for the delicious treat of chocolate chip cookies. I certainly am glad your momma can bake. J Michelle Nelson

Shout out to the janitorial staff for working so hard to keep our buildings clean and sanitized. Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Jenna and Tammy! They are rocking everything we throw at them! –Tiffany Cogdell
Shout out to Tresa Garcia, her new music room in Cassoday looks great. The students really enjoy going to music! –Halley Myrick
Shout out to Chase Casteel, Julie Mooney, and Philip Humig for getting middle school and high school computers ready for students the first week of school! – Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to the janitorial staff for keeping the rooms and bathrooms very clean! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to the middle school and high school students for quickly adapting to the new cleaning schedule in classrooms! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to POP for the encouragement to the staff and staff treats! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Karen Hinnen for her continued supply of staff treats! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Joan Grover for taking on the Flinthills Flyer! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to the teachers of Choice classes- the students loved them and enjoyed picking out ones they were interested in. They generated a lot of excitement! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to everyone who brings positive attitudes to school! We thrive on positivity at Flinthills! Thank you!!! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Mr. Scribner and his 5th hour class for changing the flat tire on my pick up. –Juli Willhite

Shout out to the Intermediate staff for providing such amazing support as I begin my first year teaching. I could not do it without them! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to all of our Flinthills students for managing this change well! I have also noticed your manners and how polite you've been! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs - 9-21-2020

Shout out to Mrs. Austin for covering my Middle School Choice class while I was at Xello/IPS training. –Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Hunter, Mrs. Hinnen, and Mrs. Rosenquist for attending the Xello/IPS training with me. -Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Scribner for helping plan choice class sign up. –Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Casteel for cheerfully attending to all of our technology needs. -Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mrs. Leesa Smith for programming my email into the copier for scanning purposes. -Janae Mettling

Shout out to our students for being patient while I learn all of their names and ask them over and over. -Janae Mettling

Shout out to our custodial staff for all of the extra hard work, preparation, and cleaning to make our events happen. -Janae Mettling

Shout out to the staff that jumped in to teach the first round of Choice classes. I think it went great! -Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Clark and Ms. Jurgensen for supporting student needs in the classroom. –Jenna Casteel

Shout to Mrs. Hunter for going above and beyond to help teachers and students in the intermediate office. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to the Primary Staff each and every one of you go above and beyond to help where it is needed. It is fun to witness that and great if you are on the receiving end of that help. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Erik Eisenbarth, Holton Nelson, and Tracy Wilson for coming in to sub for us. It is very much appreciated and y'all did a great job! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our parents. Thank you for being patient with us in the mornings as we take temps and make sure all is good once you drop your student(s) off and again in the afternoon during pickup. Your patience is valued. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Dennis for prepping and painting the football field! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Russell for managing all the transportation craziness this year (bus monitors, temperature checks, bus routes, drivers, etc.)! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Stephanie Girty for getting us all paid on time with the new rates! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the kitchen crew for all of the adjustments made in this new crazy year! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all of the secretaries for handling all of the new changes with grace! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the football coaches, players, and parents for adjusting to all of the new track construction and going to two additional away games! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Volleyball for all of their success! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all of the teachers of “Choice” classes! The education is invaluable! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Chase Casteel for managing many of the technology issues that never make it to me! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Principals and all staff for a great start to the school year! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs - 9-25-2020

Shout out to the kitchen staff! We are celebrating them this week! Thank you for all the hard work you do! – Intermediate Staff

Shout out to Mrs. Hunter! Thank you for everything you are helping with while filling in for Casey. -Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Chase for getting K12 and FB fixed. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Dennis for keeping our grounds looking great here at FPS. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our custodial staff for working so hard to keep our buildings as sanitary as possible. Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Raye Vaught and our city for taking care of our trash dumpster issue. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to PTO for our new t-shirts. They are AWESOME!!! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Holton Nelson, Tracy Wilson, and Debbie Anderson for assisting me while I was teaching remotely. They did an amazing job helping the students--and me! –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for coordinating substitutes and organizing everything while I was gone! – Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to all of our middle school and 5th grade students for handling remote learning on short notice. –Janae Mettling

Shout out to Tammy Brown and all middle school teachers for quickly adjusting to remote learning. –Janae Mettling

Shout out to all of the students who participated in Homecoming activities this week. –Janae Mettling

Shout out to Tiffany Cogdell for attending the Apollo meetings and representing FIS. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Tammy Brown for adapting and changing to remote learning with grace. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Kristin for wearing many hats and providing FIS with P.E. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to our kitchen staff -Happy Cooks' Day! Thank you for all you do to keep our kids bellies full so they can learn! - Jenna Casteel & Tiffany Cogdell

Shout to Tammy brown for doing great so far on her first year teaching!! –Dawn Waller

Shout out to Robin Hunter for all her help with copies, cutting, laminating and all she did to help out! –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to all the staff for being so flexible as things change daily! –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to our entire MS/HS staff for their flexibility and adaptability with all the changes this week. Great job! – Mr. Hunter

Shout out to our students for their resilience in going remote quickly and handling it like champs! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Tiffany Cogdell & Amanda Dragoo for making Thursday's workshop enjoyable! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Ryan Demel for a fantastic start in your teaching career! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Jami Williams for being a reliable sub for me whenever I need one! –Michal Austin

Shout out to all the students & staff who dressed up for homecoming! Fun memories were made. –Michal Austin

Shout out to our students! I have really noticed your manners and the kind ways you treat others! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all of our visiting presenters as well as our in-house presenters during the “Choice” learning times! I love the opportunities and experiences that our students are being exposed to! I think they appreciate it too! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Julie Mooney for taking care of the library last Friday when I was gone. –Juli Willhite

Shout out to Dawn Waller for all of her help with our day of remote learning! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to Kristin Sangals for covering a few extra duties for me Thursday so I could prepare for going remote! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to all of my 5th graders who accepted the challenge of quickly going remote and helping me work out some of the bugs! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to our custodial staff for all of the extra work they are putting in to disinfecting our schools! –Tammy Brown

Shout Outs - 10/02/2020

Shout out to FHS Student council first running a great homecoming week and dance! –Erik Sorum

Shout out to our bus riders of the week RosaLynn Moore, Yigal Cramer, Mayley Decker and Laycie Jones. Congrats and thank you for following the bus rules. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our community volunteers and Pastor Jim. You all do an amazing job with our students during Kids Klub. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Tresa Garcia. It's fun to hear all the things going on in your music room. -Michelle Nelson

Thank you to Janessa Jones for doing such a good job subbing for me this week. –Karen Hinnen

Thank you to all of the paras who go above and beyond every day to make sure that our students get the absolute best assistance. –Karen Hinnen

Thank you to Julie Rosenquist for making sure I got to attend the staff meeting from afar. –Karen Hinnen

Shout Outs - 10/9/2020

Thank you to Michal Austin for applying Mustangs to the masks that the Theatre Ad Team wore in El Dorado for ad sales! They looked so sharp! –Julie McCreight

Shout Out to all of the contractors doing great work on our bond issue projects. –Daniel Scribner

Shout out to Bailey Bugner for calling first responders over the weekend to administer aid to a non-responsive person she saw in an El Dorado parking lot. The person received the support he needed. Way to go! You're a hero! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to kids who brought their Kleenex boxes to school! We are really going through them in this allergy season! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to those who brought lunch for our Taco Tuesday! The food was great! –Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to the kitchen staff for doing an awesome job with meals - Ryan Demel

Shout out to Lisa Taylor and Crystal Ratcliff for all their help on Pathways. -Marla Edwards

A huge shout out to our amazing custodial staff! They go above and beyond to make sure our school buildings and grounds always look nice! They have been working extra hard this year to keep everything sanitized! We appreciate you! -The Intermediate Staff

Shout out to Halley for your thoughtfulness at our field trip! It was perfect! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Michelle for being a picture taking queen! Thank you for capturing memorable moments! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Kayla for volunteering to do our Halloween activity and Lisa and Amanda for being flexible to make it all work! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Chloe for all you do in the Pre-K classroom! You are such a wonderful help!! –Sarah Grunder

Shout Out to the boys who helped us unload a freezer on Thursday! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all of the members of our community as well as staff who have dedicated time and money to teach areas of interest and life skills to our kids who may otherwise not get the opportunity to be exposed to these experiences! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the MS Cheerleading team for the dance they performed last night at the Middle School Game! It was awesome! Keep up the hard work as it does not go unnoticed! –Many staff

Shout out to Stephanie Girty for helping find lost orders and the many, many other things she does for our school and community! –Kristin Sangals

Shout Out to the Para's for their help before school this week! – Leesa Smith

Shout out to the Sophomores for taking the Pre-ACT! – Janae Mettling

Shout out to Mrs. Hinnen for helping proctor the Pre-ACT! –Janae Mettling

Shout out to our PTO for the fun day at Walter's Pumpkin Patch. Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Mr. Scribner and Mr. Casteel for helping in the press box during the halftime routine last night, and to Dennis for painting around us while we practiced on the field. Also to Mr. Harms, Ms. Mooney and Mrs. Rosenquist for helping us out this week. We appreciate your support and kindness! Casey and the Middle School Cheerleaders

Shout out to FUNCommittee Taco Tuesday was Terrifically Tasty! Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Dennis for fixing the swings on the playground. Michelle Nelson

Shout Outs - 10/16/20

Shout out to our bus riders of the week Ty Scribner, Emma Leibbrandt, Annilynn Hefton and Agnes Leibbrandt. Great Job following the rules of the bus! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Mr. G and Russell Totty for cleaning up the stage and surrounding area here at the FPS. -Michelle Nelson

October 16th is Boss's Day so a Shout out to Mr. Boldra, Mr. Hunter, & Mr. G for all you do for us. Thank You! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Jackie Stands for your continued "above and beyond" support for my classes! You are appreciated beyond measure! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Julie Rosenquist and Joan Grover for the yummy donuts! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Jonathan McCreight for hooking up my computer to dual project. I'm very appreciative! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Mrs. Mettling for all of her hard work setting up the Pre-ACT test for all of the freshmen this week. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to the middle and high school paras for covering classes when people were out sick the last week or two. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Chase Casteel for making himself available for technology issues for us old timers. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Mr. Casteel for getting my SMART board up and working and my document camera. The technology in the classroom is great! -Mrs. Rosenquist

Shout out to Mrs. Austin for printing poster-sized prints of my vector activity on such short notice. They really helped in my social studies class! Thank you!!! - Mrs. Rosenquist

Shout out to the Kitchen Staff and Custodial Crews for all of the extra work you've done since March! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Dennis for building the shimmed areas in the Auditorium for lighting/audio equipment as well as for the wheelchair areas. –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to DCS Services for getting a truckload of concrete donated to our community clean-up day set for November 24th. –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Janae Mettling for getting staff trained with Xello and Character Strong! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Daniel Scribner and Janae Mettling and anyone else involved in lining up all of the “Choice” classes this past 9 weeks! Lots of positive experiences our kids were exposed to! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to our Primary School for taking kids to the Pumpkin Patch! Those are great experiences some kids would never get! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all of our kids and staff for a positive and successful first nine weeks of school! It has taken a lot of work by all to

Shout Outs—10/22/2020

Shout out to PTO for the yummy food for conferences Wednesday night. It was greatly appreciated. -Michelle Nelson, Lisa Taylor

Shout out to FUN Committee for the DELICIOUS cinnamon rolls on Monday. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to the Primary Parents on an excellent turn out for conferences. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Amanda Drago for implementing Power Writing in 2nd grade. It has been fun to see how excited the kids are about their writing--not to mention how well developed their stories are already for this point in the school year! –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Kayla Davison for setting high expectations for her students and then helping them reach those expectations! –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Halley Myrick for an amazing transition into Kindergarten. She does an excellent job balancing the social/emotional needs of her students while incorporating necessary academic skills. –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for all her work organizing conference times, making everyone feel welcome, and helping set up and clean up meals during conferences. –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Marla Edwards for her desire and willingness to learn new teaching strategies so that she can best support her students. –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to the Booster Club for a scrumptious dinner last night – Leesa Smith

Happy Birthday Mr. Gawith! Thank you for being a great Boss! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to all the parents for coming to PT conferences! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to the PTO for the delicious dinner during conferences! –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Mrs. Cogdell for the fun Glow Math activity she planned for her class. –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Mrs. Willhite for all her work setting up the online book fair. –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Kristin for helping generate data reports for conferences. –Jenna Casteel

Shout to Casey for scheduling conferences and printing grade cards for us. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Tiffany and Tammy for their willingness to help out whenever I have questions. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Juli for organizing the online book fair, keeping track of reading counts prizes, and helping students find books they love. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Steve Clark for helping 3rd grade launch and navigate IXL- we are loving it! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. I for all his help in 3rd grade- we couldn't do stations without your help! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to those who provided meals for teachers during conferences! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Booster Club for providing a delicious meal to the MS/HS Staff for conferences. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to PTO for providing a delicious meal to the Intermediate staff for conferences. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the Seniors and their parents who came to the FAFSA Senior Night. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to parents and students who came to conferences. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to all the teachers and community members who have taught Choice classes. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the kitchen staff for baking cookies for the FAFSA Senior Night. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the custodial staff for their continued hard work and for getting set up for conferences. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Leesa for always knowing where things are. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Sorum's 4th Hour Class for helping to move the coolers to the new concession stand! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the entire MS Volleyball Team for going UNDEFEATED this year and Winning the League Championship! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs—10/30/20

Shout out to Larissa for staying after school & sweeping my floor for me without being asked! I appreciate it! –Michal Austin

Shout out to those involved in putting together an excellent pep rally for our VB girls as they begin their state tournament! -Michal Austin

Shout out to the HS Volleyball Team for advancing to the State Tournament! It was a pleasure to watch you compete! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Curtis Willhite, Michael Hunter, and a student from Skyline who helped pick up chairs and put them back after the State Volleyball games here at Flinthills HS!

Shout out to Superintendent Don Potter, AD John Coslett, and custodial staff at Circle who made it possible for us to play our last football game at Circle Thursday night! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Tammy Brown for being such a great tablemate at all of our home games. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Kitchen staff for the yummy chili lunch on a perfect “chili” day!

Shout out to Mustangs fans for the great turn out and support at the State Volleyball game!

Shout out to HS Volleyball team for a unexpected season! You are a phenomenal group of young ladies and make us all proud to be Mustangs!

Shout out to HS Football team for a great game at Udall last Friday night!

Shout out to Dennis, Russell, Bill, Clara, LeNell, and Brandon!! Our custodial/maintenance crew are the best!!

Shout out to all of the Flinthills staff!! Sometimes it just hits you, on what a special place we have here!!

Thank you, Mr. Hunter, for helping with the professional videotaping of our state theatre solo acts! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Coach Harms, Coach Ratcliff and our Lady Mustangs on a great season of volleyball. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our district for Facebook living the activities so we can watch from home. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to the student body for supporting the Lady Mustangs. Fun to see and hear! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Bus Riders of the Week Emmett Marshall, Addison West, Olivia Wilson, and Autumn Hefton. Great Job following the bus rules! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out for parental awareness at the primary building and helping keep our students safe. It is appreciated. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Mrs. Mitchell for working around the schedule and helping me out. -Marla Edwards

Shout out to Kailey Gilman on a great job of singing the National Anthem at the volleyball game. -Michelle Nelson, Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Seniors for working diligently on Xello and their Individual Plan of Study e-portfolio. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Sophomores on your Pre-ACT results. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the Intermediate students for learning about and showing Integrity. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Harms and the volleyball teams for a GREAT season! -Mrs. Mettling

Football (Cont. from p. 11)

The Mustangs were victimized by the injury bug early and often during the season. However, these injuries allowed many younger players to gain valuable playing time at the varsity level. The development of this group of younger players should be a great piece for next season as the Mustangs will return a number of starters. Wyatt Beard was one freshman that ended up playing a significant role for the team for most of the season.

The Mustangs were fortunate to have ██████████ and Austin Mantanona finish up their 4th season with the team. Tucker Travnichek and Kody Schafer were able to join the team for their senior year. A strong group of juniors will return ready for action next year. Cael Sorum, Gavin Girty, and Johnathan McCreight are three of the juniors that had standout seasons.

Flinthills football players will be working hard this off-season to improve upon this season to take advantage of the returning experience for next year.

–Coach Daniel Scribner

November 2020

1 Daylight Savings Time Ends	2 M	3 U	4 S SCBL Meeting	5 T HS Scholars Bowl @ Caldwell 4:30	6 A	7 Virtual Theatre Conference
8	9 N BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 BUFFER WEEK Lifetouch Retakes	10 G BUFFER WEEK	11 M Veterans Day BUFFER WEEK	12 U BUFFER WEEK	13 S BUFFER WEEK FHS Theatre Production 7:00	14 BUFFER WEEK FHS Theatre Production 7:00
15 BUFFER WEEK	16 T 1st Day of Practice MS BB vs. Altoona- Midway 5:00	17 A HS Scholars Bowl @ Sedan 4:30	18 N Fall Sports Banquet 6:30 STUCO Blood Drive	19 G MS BB vs. Udall 5:00	20 M	21 Virtual Theatre Conference
22	23 U Booster Club 6:00 MS BB @ Howard 4:00 Butler Music Theatre @ BCC	24 S	25 NO SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving	27 NO SCHOOL	28
29	30 T HS Scholars Bowl @ Argonia 4:30					



NOVEMBER



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2 BREAKFAST: White Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Mixed Vegetables Fruit Juice Biscuit Milk</p>	<p>3 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Taco Crunch Refried Beans Salsa Diced Pears W.G. Cinnamon Buns Lettuce & Tomato Milk</p>	<p>4 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Chex Mix, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Breaded Chicken Patty on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Tropical Fruit Lettuce Milk</p>	<p>5 BREAKFAST: Cereal Bar, String Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza Peas Apple Fruit Roll up Milk</p>	<p>6 BREAKFAST: Cereal, PopTart, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chili Crisptos Corn Rosy Applesauce Nature Valley Crisps Milk</p>
<p>9 BREAKFAST: Oatmeal Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Turkey Ham & Cheese on Hoagie Bun Savory Fries Baby Carrots Mandarin Oranges Milk</p>	<p>10 BREAKFAST: Grape Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans W.G. Pretzel w/ Cheese Sliced Peaches Milk</p>	<p>11 BREAKFAST: Bagel with Strawberry Cream Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Pineapple Tidbits W.G. Rolls Milk</p>	<p>12 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Beef & Bean Burrito Vegetable Juice Strawberries & Bananas Milk</p>	<p>13 BREAKFAST: Cereal, String Cheese, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Beef Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Tater Tots Diced Pears Bunny Grahams Milk</p>
<p>16 BREAKFAST: Chocolate Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Pork Little Smokies Macaroni & Cheese Mixed Vegetables Mandarin Oranges Muffin Milk</p>	<p>17 BREAKFAST: Cereal, PopTart, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Fajitas on Flour Tortilla Corn Lettuce & Tomato Applesauce Salsa Milk</p>	<p>18 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Chex Mix, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Broccoli & Cheese Tropical Fruit Milk</p>	<p>19 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Turkey & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Fruit Juice Pumpkin Pie Biscuit Milk</p>	<p>20 BREAKFAST: Super Donut, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Lasagna Cauliflower Diced Peaches W.G. Breadstick Milk</p>
<p>23 BREAKFAST: Oatmeal Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Tropical Fruit W.G. Rolls Milk</p>	<p>24 BREAKFAST: White Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Hamburger on Bun French Fries Sliced Peaches Cookie Milk</p>	<p>25 NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>26 NO SCHOOL <i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i></p>	<p>27 NO SCHOOL</p>
<p>30 BREAKFAST: Cereal Bar, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Mini Corn Dogs Green Beans Sidekicks Goldfish Crackers Milk</p>	<p>This is equal opportunity provider and employer.</p>	<p>Meals are subject to change.</p>		

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