



December 2020

### Flinthills Chosen as an Apollo II School

In the midst of teaching during a pandemic & bond construction upgrades to our buildings, the staff of Flinthills is also in the process of Redesign and are designated by the state as an Apollo II school. If you have seen the movie (or National Geographic series "The Right Stuff"), the idea of school redesign works along that concept. You take what is working well and build on that, and look to see what can be improved upon. Imagine an education system where:

- Students are empowered to take control of their learning
- Students are engaged in meaningful dialogue with parents and educators to identify their passions and areas of interest
- Students are engaged in learning that is personalized to their individual preferences and at a pace that ensures they are achieving to their fullest potential
- Students are excited to engage and take charge of their day

Dr.Randy Watson, the Kansas Commissioner of Education, once made the comment "We have had two forms of public education since the concept of public education began: the one room school house and what we have today." The current educational system has worked very well for some students but not for all. With the Kansas motto "Kansas leads the world in the success of each student" we are focusing on preparing all students to be successful in whatever path they choose.

Amanda Dragoo (Primary), Tiffany Cogdell (Intermediate), Michal Austin (MS/HS) and Daniel Scribner (MS/HS), along with administrators Larry Gawith and Michael Hunter attend training in Hutchinson every month; they then bring back that information to help guide the staff.

Our first task was to figure out our "why" in the redesign process, then we focused on making sure our decisions fit in with our local & community values. Redesign covers the following areas: Student Success Skills, Family Business and Community Partnerships, Personalized Learning and Real World Applications. We are excited to begin discussions on changes we can bring that will benefit ALL students! -Mrs. Michal Austin

Students learn roping as a Choice class which is part of FHS' Redesign.







In Camp and Country Cooking, another Choice class, students gained cooking skills.



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#### From the desk of Mr. Boldra, the superintendent....

#### COVID-19

I've been very pleased with the approach our Board and district have taken regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. We have created a very "normal" environment for our students at a highly successful rate. There have been obstacles and challenges within the system, but I believe we have handled it as best as we could.

The KSHSAA Board of Directors made some difficult decisions last week regarding winter sports. While I don't agree with all of the new policies, and I believe that the league had already addressed the issues at the local level, we will abide by the new policies. Please adhere to the policies that have been posted in this Flyer, and we will try to communicate how best to pick your children up following games during the "no spectator" time frame.

#### **Bond Update**

**Bus Maintenance Building:** We hope that the bus maintenance building will be fully operational before the Christmas Break. If this happens, we will be able to move all of the bus equipment from the old building to the new building, and therefore open up another area for our students to work on metals and small engines.

**Baseball/Softball Field:** This is the last project and should be fully complete before the season starts. Unfortunately, due to weather and illness, the field was not complete enough to install grass on the fields. Currently, the backstops for both fields are complete along with fence posts installed. Sidewalks around the softball field have begun with baseball sidewalks to follow. Red dirt will be installed on both fields soon. The lights have been installed and are very close to being operational. The coolest thing about the lights is that there are lights that shine up in order to brighten the bottom of the ball in a flyball situation.

## All other bond projects have been completed, and I hope you're proud of what has been accomplished. I know that I am ecstatic about what we were able to get done with the \$3.9 million that was approved.

#### SPARK Grant

Of the \$342,000 in SPARK funds the district received for future COVID expenses that had to be spent by December 5<sup>th</sup>, we were able to purchase a number of items to benefit the district:

- We installed air purifiers in every district HVAC unit,
- We purchased ceiling fans for 20 classrooms that purify the air,
- We installed touchless sinks and flush valves throughout the district,
- We've ordered enough iPads to go 1:1 through the elementary school,
- We hired another custodian to help clean district facilities,
- We hired bus monitors for every bus to take kids temperatures prior to riding the bus
- We were able to build another restroom in Cassoday,
- We bought additional hardware and software to improve instruction when we had to go to remote learning models,
- We purchased additional equipment and signage to help direct people during this pandemic,
- We purchased a new Ford Transit 10-passenger Van in order to transport students in a better socially distanced environment,
- We purchased outdoor tables to create more outdoor learning environments,
- We purchased additional kitchen equipment as well as washers and dryers for both Rosalia and Cassoday,
- We purchased additional cafeteria tables to promote better social distancing, and
- We bought equipment to better sanitize classrooms including UV light cleaners so that we do not have to use chemicals to sanitize classrooms.

We very much tried to optimize our grant dollars by purchasing equipment that can serve us both during the pandemic and beyond it.



#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 24, 2020

#### KSHSAA Board of Directors Discuss the Winter Activity Season

**TOPEKA, Kan.** - The KSHSAA Board of Directors (BOD) met in a virtual format with all 78 members in attendance on Tuesday to discuss several items pertaining to the winter activity season. The BOD voted in favor to begin the winter activity competition season Dec. 1st and continue through Dec. 22nd before taking a winter moratorium for practice and competition (no practice and no competition) beginning Dec. 23rd.

The winter moratorium usually runs from Dec. 23rd to Dec. 27th however the board took action to extend the moratorium on practice and competition through Jan. 3rd. Practice may begin on Jan. 4th and competition may resume on Jan. 8th. This action was taken for high schools and middle schools.

The BOD also took action resulting in the requirement for all participants (including but not limited to athletes, coaches, officials, spectators, support staff and all others attending/participating in school activities) to wear a face covering in the manner it is intended to be worn while at the event venue and for the duration of the event. The only exception is provided for athletes during the time they are competing and for officials during active play.

Other items resulting from the KSHSAA Board of Directors Meeting:

· Basketball may have a maximum of 20 games, exclusive of the postseason.

· Swimming and Diving may have a maximum of 10 competitions, exclusive of the state meet.

 $\cdot$  Boys and Girls Wrestling may have a maximum of 18 events and no more than 30 competitions points, exclusive of the postseason.

· Bowling may have a maximum of 10 competitions, exclusive of the postseason.

By KSHSAA Board of Directors adoption, no spectators will be permitted for high school and middle school contests, Dec. 1 through Jan. 28th, 2021.

Complete minutes of the meeting will be released at a later date.

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*Extra note:* According to KSHSAA, cheerleaders, dance teams, and pep bands are considered participants.

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

Dear Flinthills' Families,

The first semester of the 2020-21 school year has gone by quickly, and it has been an exciting, everchanging, and challenging first semester. The COVID-19 pandemic has created the largest disruption in education history, affecting billions of students world-wide. By every measure, 2020 has been a challenging year for all of us as we try to navigate life during this time.

With every disruption to the natural flow of our everyday lives, it is easy and no surprise for all of us to focus on the negatives of life's circumstances and not see the opportunity and blessings in front of us. It was the late public relations director and motivational guru, Zig Ziglar. who created the popular phrase, "Have an attitude of gratitude." According to Ziglar, "The more you recognize and express gratitude for the things you have, the more things you will have to express gratitude for."

As we reflect on the many things for which we are thankful, I want to take this opportunity to share just a few of them with you:

We are thankful for our Flinthills' students who come to school, whether on campus or remote, daily ready to learn –each student is a daily reminder of the important role we have in the educating the hearts and minds of students.

• We are thankful for the partnership we have with our Flinthills' families.

• We are thankful for all of our faculty and staff. It has been a blessing to serve alongside a faculty and staff that really care about student achievement and have the best interests of our students at heart.

• We are also thankful for all of our volunteers—each one spending hours here at Flinthills serving our student-body.

In these ever-changing times, we see dedicated individuals going above and beyond to make sure that the Flinthills School continues to strive for excellence. I am confident with all of us working together we can continue to make sure this year is a great year for all of our students and families.

"Jingle Bells" was written for Thanksgiving, not Christmas. The song was written in 1857 by James Lord Pierpont and published under the title "One Horse Open Sleigh". It was supposed to be played in the composer's Sunday school class during Thanksgiving as a way to commemorate the famed Medford sleigh races. "Jingle Bells" was also the first song to be broadcast from space.



## Want to Hang Out?

During the renovations last summer, Stephanie Girty & Michal Austin began brainstorming on how to make the student's wishes of having a courtyard happen. The expansion of the patio in front of the school and the proximity to the new ball diamonds made it seem like a worthwhile endeavor to figure out how to make this happen.

Using leftover Senior money from the past several years and with the help of Booster Club, we were able to purchase five all weather picnic tables.

These tables have been a big hit with students as they have enjoyed eating lunch outside when weather permits, classes going outside to learn, and having a place to sit on mornings when students are waiting for the doors to open. I'm sure they will be appreciated even more when baseball & softball season comes around! -Mrs. Michal Austin

# Flinthills Mustangs December 2020

#### 10 Ways Parents Can Bring Social Emotional Learning Home

Social emotional learning (SEL) strengthens us as individuals, especially during uncertain times. When we practice and build our skills in self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship building and decision making, we are better equipped to navigate stressors, anxieties, and challenges. We can solve problems and work together to function at a higher level--in the classroom, at work, and at home.

#### **Establish Routines and Intentionality**

Routines ground us and provide a sense of safety and security. Craft a daily routine for you and your children to stick to.

#### Presence is Not the Same as Being Present

Many parents may be more physically present than they ever have been because they are now home. But that does not mean they are truly present due to increased work demands while supporting learning at home possibly. Be intentional about when you're connecting with children and when you are working.

#### Commit Acts of Service or Kindness for Others

Practicing kindness for others helps us build an appreciation for our own lives and situations, in addition to improve our physical and mental health.

#### Engage in Creativity Together

Examples in action include: cooking or baking together, doing puzzles, coloring, board games, or exercising together.

#### **Celebrate What You Can**

Try to find something small to celebrate each day. Journal 3 daily highlight to share with each other. This helps us develop resilience to any negative events.

#### **Special Recognition**

Morgan Holcomb is our National Daughters of the

American Revolution Good Citizen for this year.

She models qualities of dependability, service,

leadership, and patriotism. Congratulations Morgan!

Reagan Heimgartner was recognized by the Heisman High School Scholarship Competition as a scholarathlete. She is a remarkable young leader who sets the example and understands the most important victories happen, not only on the field, but in our school and community. Congratulations Reagan! State and National winners receive scholarships.

UPDATES

**Event 1** 12/1: Lincoln Tech virtual visit

Event 2 12/2: Military Visit 11:30-1:00

Event 3 12/9: Butler Visit 11:30-12:30

Sophomores took the ASVAB in November. The military proctor spoke highly of how well-behaved and respectful our students are. Way to go Mustangs! Thank you for being such a great example!

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Check out the Counseling Department page on our Flinthills website for more information about our counseling department!







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The Government Class

## **Classes—Where the Learning Begins**

## **Government Class Learns Real Life Lesson**

In October, Mr. Casteel had Butler County Clerk Tatum Stafford visit his Senior Government students. Ms. Stafford presented to the students the responsibilities of a County Clerk during the election season and also assisted in registering all of the seniors to vote. Mr. Casteel said, "It will be an amazing opportunity for our eligible seniors to participate civically in such a historic election, as the 2020 election has proven to be."

The seniors were also allowed an excused tardy on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 by providing the "I Voted" sticker to the office when arriving at school. Mr. Casteel also said, "I just want these young adults to be involved. To care about how politics and the government directly impacts their life." - Mr. Chase Casteel





## THE OUTSIDERS

*The Outsiders* tells the story about a group of teenage Greasers that face a lot of struggles because they live on the "bad side of town."

Ponyboy Curtis lives with his two older brothers, Sodapop and Darry. Johnny, one of the Greasers, and Ponyboy get in some trouble, and Johnny ends up killing a Soc (enemy/rich kids). They instantly run away with the help of Dally, the troublemaker of the gang.

Along their journey, there is a couple of deaths, a Soc spy, and a possible execution, but you will love this book from start to finish!

For many years in Mrs. Mooney's English class, it has been a tradition that the 8th grade dresses up as either Greasers or Socs after they finish reading the book *The Outsiders*. Most of us chose to dress like Greasers; Kyle Parker was our only Soc. -Rylie Wight





Greasers definitely outnumber the Soc's here!



## **Classes—Where the Learning Begins**

## Math Classes-Where They Learn to Make It Count!

Intermediate Students Use Technology in Math

Students in Mrs. Casteel's 3rd grade class have been working hard to fine tune their skills using a learning iPad app called IXL. With the help of Mr. Clark, our special education coordinator, Mrs.

Casteel's students are able to work independently 15 minutes a day at their individualized level in both math and language arts.

Mrs. Casteel shared that IXL gives her the ability to be 20 teachers at once; it immediately praises, corrects, and feeds them what they need at their level. She likes that she's easily able to assign skills for review and enrichment. Mr. Clark and Mrs. Casteel both love the data collected by IXL that can then be used to guide their whole group and small group instruction. And most of all the kids enjoy it, love meeting their goals, and love earning prizes!

-Mrs. Jenna Casteel

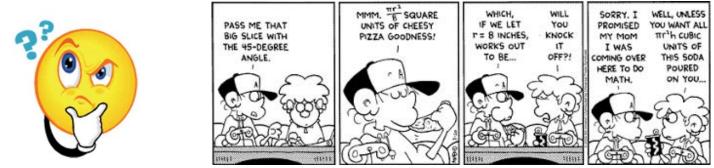


#### Middle/High School Offers Different Levels of Math So All Can Learn

In Middle School, Mr. Harms teaches 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math, and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math. When asked if any moments stood out, he said, "The most common 'aha' moment comes when I am teaching students how to add and subtract integers. I teach the students to use or at least think about a number line when working these problems, but instead of using the picture of the number line, most students like to use mental math. When they get a problem incorrect, I simply ask them to explain it to me by using a number line. Usually, when they explain the problem using the number line, they will get the problem right. It is so much fun to watch their facial expressions when they realize their mistake and how easy it can be if they will take a little extra time and think it through."

High school math usually starts with Algebra, but not everyone understands math concepts easily so FHS offers two options for students in Algebra. Algebra 1 is for those students who want to move quickly through the concepts and lasts for one year; for others, FHS offers a two-year Algebra course labelled Algebra 1-A and Algebra 1-B. Mr. Harms teaches one class of Algebra 1 and one class of Algebra 1-A. Mr. Sorum teaches one class of Algebra 1-B. Mr. Hayes teaches one class of Algebra 1 and two classes of Algebra 2.

Mr. Hayes also teaches Geometry, Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry, and Financial Math. His classes use online books for Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2, but they use a regular textbook for Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry and Financial Math. Financial Math is a class that teaches some everyday uses of mathematics from how coupons work to balancing checks.



ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

## **SAFE is Not Just for Seatbelts**

FHS SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone) has had a challenging year trying to maintain planned activities. While we had to cancel our One Shot Turkey Hunt (with Nerf Guns & Drunk Goggles) due to going remote, we have been able to hold two events this year!

We had a Donuts for Buckles day where we reminded students to wear their seatbelts by doing seatbelt checks and passing out free donuts. We were happy to discover that a large percentage of our student drivers do buckle up!

Our second event was distributing candy to the Intermediate students at their Halloween parade. While we had to wait outside to pass out candy, the SAFE members enjoyed getting to see the elementary students dressed up!

We have the Twelve Days of a SAFE Christmas planned for December, so watch for photos & details next month! —Mrs. Michal Austin



#### Flinthills 4-H Club



The Flinthills 4-H club participated in 48 Hours of 4-H by cleaning up around the new ag facility. Members loaded up chain link fencing so that it could be used elsewhere, filled a rolloff dumpster with scrap metal and construction debris, dug post holes and righted an old leanto that had blown over.

The club also handed out Halloween candy and

4-H bookmarks for the Rosalia Trick -or-Treat event.

Luke Parker - Reporter



## CASSODAY BOOSTERS 4-H-#Opportunity4all

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club held their November meeting on Sunday, November 15 via Zoom. There were 18 members, leaders and parents in attendance. Following the business meeting, the club observed 4-H Sunday. Pastor Kurt Spivey of the DeGraff church delivered a message encouraging all to

stay focused on Christ. Scriptures and devotions were shared by Agnes Leibbrandt, Cami Miller, Cally Miller and Trena Garcia. Following the meeting club members virtually filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

The next meeting of the Cassoday Boosters will be Sunday, December 13 at 3 p.m. at the Cassoday school. The program activity will be Christmas caroling. For more information about 4-H, please contact Tresa Garcia or any member of the Cassoday Booster 4-H club!





## **Scholars Bowl**

The Flinthills High School Scholars Bowl team attended their first meet of the season November 5, in Caldwell. The JV team, consisting of Amanda Brown, Conner Sigg and Sydney Sorum, went 3-1 for the night and barely missed breaking into semi-finals. Varsity team members were Trena Garcia, Alexis Hatvick, Savannah McCreight, Jessie Mooney and Laura Scribner. Varsity was 3-2 in pool play which earned them a spot in the semifinals where they faced Central. A win over Central moved Flinthills into the championship round where they ended up losing to Udall. Congratulations to all team members on a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish!

-Coach Tresa Garcia



### FCA Started the Year Off With Some Fun!





FCA is our Christian Bible Study and Fellowship Club at school. High schoolers meet on Tuesdays and Middle schoolers meet on Wednesdays during seminar. In previous years, the adult club sponsors did all the messages for the group, but this year high schoolers have taken action and now students share messages.

Not only is our goal to share Jesus with everyone at the school but also we aim to make disciples out of ourselves. Stepping up and preparing messages for FCA gives that individual a deeper understand-

ing of a concept from the Bible, but it also gives us the experience of learning how to share the Bible with others. The middle school FCA is so passionate and curious about learning more. So far this year high school FCA went to our amazing leader Andrea Humig's house where we ate and played games. Then we all went to a flashlight maze at Walter's Pumpkin Patch and after we had a bonfire and ate yummy s'mores. It was a crazy fun-filled night. The middle schoolers also had a little party where they played many fun games like making people mummies by wrapping them in toilet paper and so much more. I can't wait to see where this year takes us. -Reagan Heimgartner

## We'd Like to Recognize...

### November Middle School Student of the Month

<u>Tylan Willard</u> Parents – Jason and Tiffany Cogdell Hobbies – Video games and Anime Activities – Math Relays and Tech Assistant Favorite Class—Math





#### November High School Student of the Month

<u>Reagan Heimgartner</u>

Parents - James and Kelli Heimgartner

Hobbies – Singing, hunting and fishing with my dad, hanging with my friends, getting my nails done and jamming out in my car, traveling and seeing more of God's beautiful creation, and studying my Bible and getting closer to God.

Activities – Theater, music, basketball, volleyball, Student Council, National Honors Society, FCA

Favorite class: Choir

## November High School Employee of the Month

Janae Mettling was selected as the November Employee of the Month. Mrs. Mettling is in her first year as School Counselor at Flinthills.

Mrs. Mettling was nominated by Chase Casteel and Erik Sorum. She is characterized as one who really stepped up in the Redesign process and has played a huge role in the early success of our iClass "Choice" Days. Mrs. Mettling has been instrumental in "Character Strong" training which is a big part of social/ emotional growth. Mrs. Mettling takes initiative and does it with a positive attitude.

Mrs. Mettling will receive a certificate and a Flinthills jacket.



#### **Sports News**

#### **Girty Ranked in Pre-Season**

Gavin Girty is starting the Wrestling Season off ranked 5th in the Pre-Season Class 321A 220 lb. weight class for Kansas High School Wrestling.

Having Gavin ranked in the preseason rankings is very exciting for me as a coach in my 2nd year at Flinthills, as well as for our school and community. He is very excited and this should give him a confidence boost and some drive after being a state qualifier last year to be on the podium at the end of February this year.

I have very high expectations for my wrestling team this year. The kids worked very hard this summer in the weight room and on the wrestling mat during open wrestling room. Our teams numbers have grown after finishing with 3 kids last year, I will be starting the season with 15 wrestlers for the high school season. That in itself is amazing to be getting this kind of support and excitement for this great sport.

We plan to put some names up on the wall this year for state placers both on the girls and boys side.

-Coach Ryan Dejmal



Individual Rankings

#### 220

- 1. Dane Whalen-12-Osage City
- 2. Hayden Robb-12-Perry-Lecompton
- 3. Jr. Matthews-12-Herington
- 4. Joseph Martin-11-Douglass
- 5. Gavin Girty-11-Flint Hills
- 6. Dallas Buss-12-Republic Co.



## Flinthills High School Wrestling Schedule

DATE	<u>EVENT</u>	LOCATION	TIME
Dec. 5	Flinthills Tournament	Rosalia	9:00 AM
Dec. 12	Hesston Tournament	Hesston	9:00 AM
Jan. 9	<b>Burlington Tournament</b>	Burlington	9:00 AM
Jan. 15-16	Halstead Tournament	Halstead	4:00 PM
Jan. 23	Eureka Tournament	Eureka	9:00 AM
Jan. 29	Bronco Invitational	Remington	3:00 PM
Jan. 30	Fredonia Tournament	Fredonia	9:00 AM
Feb. 6	Circle Tournament	Towanda	9:00 AM
Feb. 11	Uniontown	Uniontown	3:00 PM
Feb. 19-20	Regionals	TBD	TBD
Feb. 26-27	State	TBD	TBD

## Flinthills Middle School Wrestling Schedule

	DATE	<b>LOCATION</b>	<u>EVENT</u>	$\underline{\text{TIME}}$
STATE OF	3/1/20	Whitewater	Remington Inv.	4:00
Mr. 6	3/4/20	Douglass	Douglass Inv.	4:00
THE	3/6/20	Cottonwood Falls	Chase County Inv.	9:30 AM
21	3/8/20	Howard	West Elk Inv.	5:30

			JV	Varsity
DATE	<b>LOCATION</b>	EVENT LOCATION	TIME	TIME
12/4/20	Lebo	Lebo	5:00	6:00
12/7-11	Fairfield	Fairfield Classic (TBD)	None	TBD
12/15/20	Buffalo	Altoona-Midway	4:00	6:00
12/17/20	Eureka	Eureka	5:00	6:00
1/5/21	Leon	Bluestem	4:30	6:00
1/8/21	Rosalia	Classical School	4:45	6:00
1/12/21	Rosalia	Cedar Vale/Dexter	4:45	6:00
1/15/21	Caldwell	Caldwell	4:00	6:00
1/16-23	TBD	SCBL Tournament Week	None	TBD
1/26/21	OPEN			
1/29/21	Rosalia	Udall	4:45	6:00
2/2/21	Burden	Central	4:00	6:00
2/5/21	Rosalia	Sedan	4:45	6:00
2/9/21	Oxford	Oxford	4:00	6:00
2/12/21	Rosalia	Argonia	4:45	6:00
2/16/21	Howard	West Elk	4:00	6:00
2/19/21	South Haven	South Haven	4:00	6:00
3/1-6/21	TBD	1A SubState	None	TBD
3/10-13/21	TBD	State Tournament Week	None	TBD
	* Homecoming	** Senior Night		

## Flinthills Middle School Basketball Schedule

			JV	Varsity
DATE	<b>LOCATION</b>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	TIME	TIME
11/16/20	Rosalia	Altoona-Midway	5:00	6:00
11/19/20	Rosalia	Udall	5:00	6:00
11/23/20	Howard	West Elk	4:00	6:00
12/3/20	Rosalia	Cedar Vale/Dexter	5:00	6:00
12/7/20	Rosalia	Central	5:00	6:00
12/10/20	Sedan	Sedan	4:00	6:00
1/7/21	Argonia	Argonia	4:00	6:00
1/14/21	Dexter	Cedar Vale/Dexter	4:00	6:00
1/21/21	Rosalia	Elk Valley	5:00	6:00
1/25/21	Burden	Central	4:00	6:00
1/28/21	Rosalia	West Elk	5:00	6:00
2/1/21	Rosalia	Sedan	5:00	6:00
2/4/21	TBD	SCBL Tournament Play-In	None	TBD
2/6/21	TBD	SCBL Tournament	None	TBD
2/11/21	TBD	SCBL Tournament	None	TBD
2/13/21	TBD	SCBL Tournament	None	TBD



## **Students Honor**

## Those Who Have Served our Country

Mrs. Casteel's third graders honored veterans during the week of November 11th by setting up their very own "missing man" table in the hallway. A "missing man" table, also known as a "fallen comrade" table, is a memorial that is set up in military dining halls in honor of fallen, missing, or imprisoned military service members.

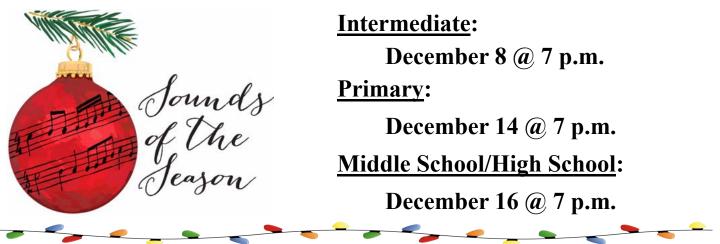
In Mrs. Casteel's lesson the students listened to a read aloud of the realistic fiction storybook titled "America's White Table" by Margot Raven. In the book two little girls, along with the help of their mother, set up a "missing man" table for their uncle who served in the military and is coming to dinner that evening. The story explains the symbolism of each piece of the table:

"We use a Small Table to show one soldier's lonely battle against many. We cover it with a White Cloth to honor a soldier's pure heart when they answer their country's call to duty. We place a Lemon Slice and Grains of Salt on a plate to show a captive soldier's bitter fate and the tears of families waiting for loved ones to return. We push an Empty Chair to the table for the missing soldiers who are not here. We lay a Black Napkin for the sorrow of captivity, and turn over a glass for the meal that won't be eaten. We place a White Candle for peace and finally, a Red Rose in a vase tied with a Red Ribbon for the hope that our missing will someday return."

In addition to their memorial display Mrs. Casteel's class created Veterans Day cards to hand out and a red, white, and blue American flag heart with a message of thanks to our military heroes. Happy Veterans Day to all who have served. -Mrs. Jenna Casteel



## ALL WINTER MUSIC CONCERTS WILL BE HELD IN ROSALIA IN THE MAIN GYM AND WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK



From The El Dorado Times, December 13, 1997

## Flinthills players appear on Letterman's 'Late Show'

NEW YORK (AP) - From eight-man high school football in rural Kansas to the glitter of New York and national television, the 1997 season has been quite a ride for Daniel Scribner and Tylen Hall.

The Flinthills football players appeared on David Letterman's "The Late Show" Wednesday night, talking up their now-famous sneaky play that helped Rosalia beat Elk Valley 55-6 on Oct. 24.

The play has found a home on highlight reels of quirky sports plays across the nation. CNN replayed the game footage, as did the "Today" show.

Hall and Scribner—who followed Letterman's previous guest, Marv Albert—joined Letterman at his desk wearing their football jerseys. When Letterman asked where they were from, Hall replied, "Rosalia, Kansas. It's a booming metropolis of about 120 people" — a crack which drew some laughs.

Scribner and Hall then recounted

the play for Letterman as video of the game rolled.

The play went like this:

After the team came out of the huddle and Hall, the center, had set up on the 15-yard line, he turned to the quarterback, Scribner. The script went as follows:

Hall: (loudly) Dan, Dan.

Scribner: What?

Hall: (Louder) It's not our ball. This is the wrong ball.

Scribner: What?

(Scribner looks to the sideline at Spencer.)

Scribner: Coach Spencer, this is the wrong ball.

(Spencer, on the west sideline, holds a football in the air.)

Scribner: Tylen, give me the ball, and I'll get the regular ball from coach.

(In a non-traditional sideways snap, Hall hands the ball to Scribner

in a fluid motion.

Scribner strolls to the sideline and holds the ball out to Spencer as the Flinthills players come out of their playing stances to watch. Elk Valley defenders do the same.

Scribner: Here, coach.

(Instead of handing over the ball, Scribner begins to run toward the goal line.

The Elk Valley players look shocked. Some turn to their coach. A couple begin to run after Scribner and chase him into the end zone.)

As the video showed Scribner sprinting toward a touchdown, Letterman let out a big "Whoa!" The studio audience also whooped and hollered its approval of the play.

Letterman then presented the players with a box of Wheaties with their pictures and names on the front.

"Very impressive," Letterman said. "There you go boys. Your very own box of Wheaties."

## **Behind the Scenes...** *Food Service Keeps Everyone Fed*

Kelli Davis has worked for the Flinthills School District for 20 years. She and her husband James have 4 children and 4 grandchildren and live in Rosalia. As the kitchen manager, she is responsible for ordering, menu planning, cooking and cleaning. Her specialty is cooking in the kettle where she makes the turkey and noodles, meat for various dishes, etc.

Before she started working at Flinthills, she worked as a waitress at the Old Hat Restaurant here in town. Now, she enjoys following her grandchildren and watching what they're doing as they grow up. In her "spare time," she also runs a side business of breeding Shih Tzu and Dachshunds. She worked for 13 years for another breeder and when he decided to retire, she opened her operation. She does have puppies available periodically; if anyone wants more information, please contact her through the school.



Kelli Davis, Debbie Cordts, Sheri Stephens

Debbie Cordts has only officially worked for Flinthills for 3 years but volunteered for 4 years before that as an aide in the Intermediate Hall and volunteered 1 year at Cassoday. She and her husband Bill live outside El Dorado; they have one daughter Callie who is a freshman at Flinthills. She helps in many capacities with prep work, making salads, and stocking the salad bar when we can have one.

Before she started working here, she retired from the Wichita Fire Department after working for them for 20 years. The other ladies laughed, "With her medical training as a fire fighter, we feel pretty safe here in the kitchen." Her husband also retired from the WFD as Fire Captain after 30 years.

While she was with the WFD, September 11, 2001 happened. She was one of about a dozen firefighters who went to New York City to offer their services. She, actually, worked at Ground Zero for a while.

Sheri Stephens, head cook, laughed and said she was related to everyone around here. She and her husband Clay have been married for 37 years and live outside Rosalia. They have two daughters, and both girls are nurses—Jordin in Kansas City, MO, and Erin in her 2<sup>nd</sup> year in the army in San Antonio. Sheri has two granddaughters, 10 and 14. Sheri makes all the cinnamon rolls, breads, cookies and other baking. She has "officially" worked here for 17 years but filled in for her aunt the 2 or 3 years before she started.

Before she came to work here, she worked for Kansas Aluminum, Randy Wells Screen Printing, and was a stay-at-home mom. Now she and her husband help Sundgrens set up auctions. Sheri said sometimes they even buy things they find at the auctions. She also enjoys making candy.



LeNell Noel is a "jack-of-all-trades" for the Flinthills Schools. She is a janitor and takes care of the Cassoday food service. She comes to Rosalia every day to pick up food that is partially prepared and takes it back to Cassoday where she finishes cooking it so it will be hot and ready for the students and teachers. She is responsible for all the cooking, serving, and cleaning up afterwards at Cassoday.

LeNell and her husband Jeremy have 7 children between them, and they live in Cassoday. She has worked at Flinthills for 6 years. Before she came here, she worked at Subway in Neodesha.

In her spare time, she enjoys playing Corn Hole with her husband Jeremy, playing with her grandkids as well as crafting. At the moment, her crafts include snowman ornaments and snowman shelf sitters. If you want any information about her craft items, please contact her at the Cassoday school.



Tana Wight lives in Rosalia with 3 of her 4 children. Braden, her fourth child, graduated from FHS last year and is in Estes Park this year going to a one-year Bible School. She is another person with multiple jobs—she's drives a bus, works in the kitchen as an aide, washes dishes, and washes the tables before each group of students eats on them.

She has worked for Flinthills for 8 years. Before that, she was a Vet Tech in Towanda and Andover. She earned a BS in Agriculture from K-State as a Pre Vet major. When she graduated from K-State, she was the first person to graduate with an Equine Science certificate.

Tana's loved horses since she was a girl and that Equine Science Certificate made it easier for her to become a Certified Equine Massage Therapist. She continues to do Equine Massage therapy, but also cares for her 5 horses. She also does barrel racing and follows her kids activities.

"Covid changed everything for us from the way we prepare food to who pays for it," said Kelli Davis. No longer is there a lunch line where you get served. Now, you get a styrofoam container with your food in it, essentially a to-go meal.

Beginning last spring with the lockdown, the state of Kansas paid for free meals—breakfast and lunch --for any child who wanted to participate. That continued through the summer and has been extended until the end of the 2020-2021 school year. When some of the Middle and High School students have a meal that they really like, they can purchase a second meal. The first one is the free meal, but they have to pay to receive a second meal.

We are also offering a second chance breakfast as something new. Middle School and High School students who don't get here in time for the breakfast can take advantage of this "second chance." If a student eats the first breakfast and then comes back for the second one, he/she will have to pay for the second one because the state only pays for one breakfast and lunch for each student. Adults still have to pay for their meals. Holiday Ideas from Our Kitchen Staff

#### Wassail

Boil 5 minutes: 2 cups water 2 cups sugar 6 cinnamon sticks Combine with: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Gallon Spiced or Plain Apple Cider 1 Large Can Frozen OJ 2 cups water 1 cup lemon juice 2 teaspoons Instant tea Heat in Crock Pot. Enjoy!

#### **Kielbasa Sausage Soup**

- 1 Polska Kielbasa link sausage
- 3 cans whole white potatoes
- 2 can Trappeys okra, cut
- 2 cans Trappeys black-eved peas with jalapenos

Cut and heat sausage; save drippings. Add all ingredients with juices into saucepan. Heat and serve.

Great with a loaf bread.

#### **Peanut Clusters**

Microwave until smooth:

- 2 cups Peanut Butter Chips
- 1 cup Milk Chocolate Chips
- Add:

 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups dry roasted peanuts 1 cup crushed wavy potato chips

Stir in and drop by spoonfuls on waxed paper.

Flinthills Flyer

## **Our School Just Keeps Getting Better!!!**



Building Stalls in the New Ag Facility

Pictures by Ryan Dejmal

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Upper left: The outside of the Ag Facilities.

Above: A stove was added to the Ag classroom this summer.

Front and Back views of the stadium seating for Track Meets and Football games.







Although the buses can be parked under the outdoor shelter now, the inside of the bus barn is still being worked on.

## Introducing...



Jenna Casteel is in her 12<sup>th</sup> year teaching elementary school. She graduated from Emporia State University in 2009 and taught library 1 year and 2nd grade 6 years at William Allen White Elementary. Jenna then taught 1st grade at Circle Towanda Elementary for 4 years. Jenna has an ESOL endorsement from K-State University and a Reading Specialist master's degree from Fort Hays State University.

She married Chase Casteel in 2015 and they moved to El Dorado, KS in 2016. Jenna has a son, Conner Sigg who is a freshman at Flinthills High School. Chase and Jenna have a daughter Jaycee, age 3, and a newborn boy named Colin, age 6 months. She is excited to be teaching 3rd grade this year at Flinthills Intermediate and to have the opportunity to have her whole family join the Mustang family!



Steve Clark, our new Intermediate Special Education teacher, and his wife Amber live in Leon with their five kids – Sade, Makiah, Zack, Mar, and Kylie.

He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Emporia State, a Master's Degree in Education from Pittsburg State, and a Masters in Special Education from Southwestern College.

He said, "I love Flinthills. The school has all the components of a great school. We are implementing IXL math and reading to supplement and recovery learning skills. Exciting and challenging!!"



Kayla Davison teaches 1<sup>st</sup> grade in Cassoday at Flinthills Primary School. She and her two kids, Rhett (9) and Gable (4), live in Eureka.

She graduated from Fort Hays State University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and earned a Driver Education Endorsement from Emporia State.

She loves the inviting atmosphere and the family style community in the building. She said, "It is very light hearted and a generous place to be. I have felt very welcomed from the beginning, as have both of my boys."

She has always taught 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, so she is aware of what the students need to learn to be ready. She is looking forward to teaching these students all the responsibilities and preparing them so they are completely ready for the next level.



## PTO Holiday Pie Drawing



Flinthills' PTO will be having a Holiday Pie Drawing at the Intermediate vocal concert on December 8th and at the Primary concert on December 14th. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Both of the concerts will be held in Rosalia in the new gym. You may purchase tickets from any Pre-k—5th grade student, or at the door the night of the concert. In the event that concerts are cancelled, tickets will still be drawn and the winners called to make arrangements to pick up their pies. Please include a phone number where you can be reached on the ticket.

PTO funds many things for our students throughout the year including field trips, classroom activities, technology, teaching supplies and much more!

Thank you for supporting our students!!!

December 2020











Photos by Melissa Scribner





## Flinthills Primary and Intermediate

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

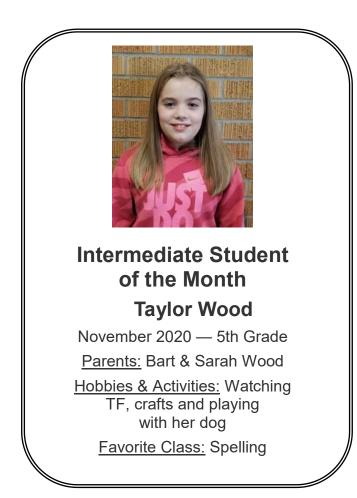
I want to start off by thanking all of our Primary and Intermediate parents for helping make all of the changes we had this year run smoothly. I can say with confidence that our parents and staff have been working hard to keep our students safe and **in school**.

A couple things to remember is if your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. If you or anyone in your family has been tested for Covid, please do not send your child to school until the test results come back. These actions help keep us from quarantining large groups of students here at school.

The Primary and Intermediate concerts will be held in the big gym at Rosalia for this year only. These changes were made to allow everyone to attend and to allow for social distancing. The Intermediate concert will be on December 8th at 7:00 pm; it will be 3rd -5th vocal only. The Primary concert will take place on December 14th at 7:00 pm. Be sure to get your PTO pie raffle tickets for both concerts.

The Intermediate and Primary staff are working through the KSDE redesign process. This process involves a team meeting with our redesign team from KSDE and meeting back with the staff to present the information that we gathered. Both the team meetings and the staff meetings have been informative and enlightening. We have been working on our "Why" statements and looking at problem solving models to help us stay focused on a positive outcome for students, parents and staff.

As we continue to move forward with this process, we will be asking you for input to help us make Flinthills Primary and Intermediate your choice for <u>education at its best</u>.





## Parent Information to Encourage Child Education Grief During the Holidays

During the joy of the holiday season, individuals who have recently mourned the loss of a loved one or are continuing in their grief journey after the death of someone close to them can find this time of year to be challenging. For both adults and children, losing a loved one causes new feelings and emotions. It can be hard to enjoy the holiday season when it feels as though everyone around you is finding joy except for you and your family.

#### Tips for the Holiday Season

**Be proactive and plan ahead**: Holiday plans often include and affect all members of your family. Talk with your children and openly express your feelings and needs so that they, too, can share how they want to celebrate and who they want to celebrate with!

Acknowledge and express your feelings: It is important for parents and caregivers to share with their children about how they are feeling that their loved one will not be with them during the holidays. When parents and caregivers show their feelings, it allows children to understand that it is okay to feel sad and miss the person who died too.

**There is no "right way" to celebrate holidays**: As a family, decide what is important to you this year and change traditions and rituals as needed or continue old traditions and rituals as a way to stay connected to the person who has died.

**Engage in self-care**: Ensure that you and your children are caring for your physical, emotional, and social selves.

#### Activities for the Holiday Season

Counselor's Corner

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**Meaning making**: Talk with your children about how your family can remember the person who died and spend time creating something meaningful (making a decoration, bringing something to the cemetery, cooking the person's favorite foods, or sharing special photos).

Share memories: Choose people who you and your children are comfortable sharing memories with, and share fun and silly memories of the person who died.

**Create a memory candle**: Decorate candles with art supplies, special family pictures, and messages to your loved ones. Ask your child where and how you can use these candles during the season as a way to remember the person who died.

**Memory Book**: Look through old family pictures and memory boxes to create a memory book. Your child can then choose if he or she would like to share the book with others, and who he or she would like to share it with. If your child would like, you can also invite others to write or add photos to the book.

#### Books about Grief and Loss

<u>The Invisible String</u> by Patrice Karst <u>I Miss You: A First Look at Death</u> by Pat Thomas <u>Grief is Like a Snowflake</u> by Julia Cook <u>The Memory Box: A Book About Grief</u> by Joanna Rowland <u>Nana Upstairs and Nana Downstairs</u> by Tomie dePaola <u>Where's Jess: For Children Who Have a Brother or Sister Die</u> by Marvin Johnson <u>The Fall of Freddie the Leaf: A Story of Life for All Ages</u> by Leo Buscaglia <u>Samantha Jane's Missing Smile: A Story About Coping with the Loss of a Parent</u> by Julie Kaplow



Following simple step instructions, keeping the beat and singing along, Kindergartners are having a fun time with Mrs. Garcia in music before Thanksgiving Break dancing to the Reindeer Song.



Kindergarten scavenger hunt





Our turkeys didn't want to be eaten this year for Thanksgiving, so we decided to give them all a disguise so they couldn't be found! Happy Thanksgiving! FPS Kindergarten





The Flinthills Primary First Graders celebrated Veterans Day by doing a directive drawing and sharing with our community at the Post Office and at Rick and Jenny's.

Directive drawings are a step by step approach to introduce drawing. The first graders were directed by Ms. Davison in a step by step tutorial using their listening skills to create the above pictures.

This was a thirty seven step process that from step one to step thirty-seven was a silent reveal. The students had no idea of what they were drawing until the picture was finished.

When Katie Hinde was asked about the drawings she stated, "The best way to thank a veteran, is to be the American worth fighting for. Knowing that our district and teachers are teaching patriotism is very humbling and honors all veterans, active and retired." Awesome Job First Graders!



Ms. Davison in Morning Meeting with her first grade class discussing whether they would rather build a snowman or an igloo. Choosing an answer and explaining why they chose that answer involves critical thinking. This activity creates a good classroom environment by way of opinion, improves speaking skills and builds positive, mature viewpoints.

#### Shout Outs 11/6/20

Shout out to Ms. J and all the ways she helps me in my classroom. She is awesome! -Tiffany

Shout out to Juli and all the work she is doing keeping the library and books clean for our kids! - Tiffany

Shout out to all the staff and parents who helped with the 3/4 pumpkin centers!- Jenna and Tiffany

Shout out to Mrs. Austin for her organized and well-kept classroom! -Bill Edwards

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Shout out to Sarah Grunder for setting up fire safety field trip for the Primary School. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Justin Grunder, Susan Grunder and Kyle Flores for teaching our students all about fire safety. The kids loved it! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Stephanie Girty for being able to handle all the details she does and, yet, have time to help me figure out stuff. Thank you so much for being you! –Joan Grover

Shout out to Reagan Heimgartner. As my aide, she has gone above and beyond helping the subs while I was gone and, now, helping me get back on my feet. –Joan Grover

Shout out to the Rosalia water department, post office and community members for giving our students a fun, memorable Halloween. –Casey Cartmell

Shout out to Mrs. Grover for putting together such a large, informative Flinthills Flyer. –Casey Cartmell

Shout out to Sarah Grunder for organizing our field trip to the Cassoday fire station. –Halley Myrick

Shout out to our redesign team who is going to all the meetings to learn new things to bring back to the rest of the staff. –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Michelle for helping me find subs. -Janet Johnson

Shout out to Marla for all her hard work. –Janet Johnson

Shout to all the teachers and staff at Flinthills Primary for welcoming me to your family. –Janet Johnson

Shout out to Jami Williams for always being such a reliable sub for me! -Michal Austin

Shout out to the ReDesign Team for the hard work, dedication & laughter! -Michal Austin

Shout out to Joan Grover for an incredible Flinthills Flyer! -Michal Austin

Shout out all the students & staff who dressed up Halloween! It was fun! -Michal Austin

Shout out to the seniors for a great experience with the "secret handshakes"! –Michal Austin

Shout out to the custodial staff! Our building looks amazing! -Michal Austin

Shout out to Mr. Hunter for how he handled something for me. -Karen Hinnen

#### Shout Outs 11/13/2020

Shout out to Julie McCreight and Jonathan McCreight for creating an amazing piece of wall art for my classroom. It looks amazing! Kids have enjoyed looking at it and identifying the different books it depicts that they have read or plan to read. Thank you!!!- Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Russell Totty and Bill Edwards for going out of their way to hang a piece of wall art for me despite their busy schedules. Thank you! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Shelly Decker for all the work on the Flinthills Primary t-shirts and doing custom orders for us. We appreciate you! PTO Group

Shout out to Mrs. Casteel who did an over the top job presenting Veterans Day to her students. From reading <u>America's White Table</u> to the class, making the white table display in the hall, and having the students write veteran cards. A very special moment they all should remember and appreciate. –Steve Clark

Shout out to FPS second graders. Your voices sound really great as I walk by when you are in music. Keep up the great work! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to the FPS first graders for their directive drawings. Awesome Job! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our bus riders of the week, Kendall Jones, Jaxson Randall, AJ Wright, and Marah Willhite. Thank you for following the rules of the bus, Fantastic Job! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Kristin and Mr. G for covering specials this week so we can still get our planning time. – Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out Mr. Gawith for taking my MTSS class while I was gone last week. –Juli Willhite

Shout out to Jenna, Tiffany and Tammy for having to adapt last week when I wasn't here for library with their classes. –Juli Willhite

Shout to Kristin and Julie M. for looking after the library last week. –Juli Willhite

Shout out to Casey for taking temps last week. -Juli Willhite

Shout out to the MS/HS Staff and Faculty for their flexibility and adaptability with all the changes this week! -Michael Hunter

Shout out to Michal Austin and Daniel Scribner for all their work on Redesign. -Michael Hunter

Shout out to Leesa Smith for keeping our calendars and schedules updated. -Michael Hunter

Shout out to all the high school teachers for doing a great job through the first week of remote learning. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to all the high school students for adapting to remote learning. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight's 7<sup>th</sup> hour middle school drama class for such good behavior. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to middle school teachers and students for adjusting to a new schedule this week. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Casteel for solving remote learning tech issues this week. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the sophomores for such respectful behavior during the ASVAB last Friday. The military proctor bragged about how great you all were. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the intermediate students who received kindness recognition this week. -Mrs. Mettling

#### Shout Outs 11/13/2020 (continued)

Shout out to the Board of Education for all of the difficult decisions they make during the craziest pandemic we've ever seen! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to our <u>Veterans and Active military</u> for the protection of the freedoms we enjoy every day but too often take for granted! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Michelle, Casey, and Leesa for being so helpful and efficient when I have a need; and for always treating me with kindness, no matter how simple or difficult my need may beJ- Ann Mitchell

Shout out to Mr. Gawith, Mr. Hunter, Mrs. Ratcliff, and Mrs. Rosenquist for the great conversations had about curriculum and instruction this past Thursday! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Dennis Switzer for the work on the platforms in the Auditorium as well as the electric issues in the district house! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Daniel Scribner, Landon Lamb, Tod Johnson and his class for the work they've done on the district house! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to my Administrative Team for all the work and the input they bring to our Friday meetings! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the custodial staff for the extra cleaning during these COVID times! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to our kitchen staff for being flexible and adjusting during these COVID times! –Jeremy Boldra

#### Shout Outs 11/20/2020

Shout out to Janae....you are an answered prayer! Thank you for your kind and caring heart! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Casey for having such a caring heart! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Tammy for being such an amazing and caring teacher! You are awesome! –Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Dawn for all that you do and loving on the kids! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out for the new touchless faucets in our bathrooms that don't spray water everywhere. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to those that are working hard on finding new ways to keep us going as normal as possible. Creative thinking outside the box, GREAT JOB! -Michelle Nelson

Shout to Marla Edwards for ordering us our FUN t-shirts, because 2020 does STINK, STANK, STUNK!!! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Patty Baker and Candy Wright for covering my 5th and 6th hours while I am in quarantine!

Shout Out to the MS Cheerleaders for an awesome dance last night! - Leesa

Shout out to Casey Cartmell and MS Cheer Squad for an outstanding dance last night! It's the best choreographed routine I've ever seen! –Josh McNary

Shout out to Mr. Gawith for getting zoomed set up for my intermediate counseling lesson. -Mrs. Mettling Shout out to the intermediate students for doing such a great job on zoom for our counseling lesson. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the intermediate teachers for being flexible in zooming our counseling lesson. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Scribner for your encouragement and help this week, to Mr. Sorum for loaning us your speaker and for sharing the BB/cheer girls in a supportive way, and to Mr. Casteel and Dallas Griffith for your camera work. –Casey Cartmell

Shout out to Mrs. Hunter for arranging the meal plans for the MS athletes. -Casey Cartmell

Shout out to Mrs. Waller for her amazing heart and compassion for our kiddos! -Tammy Brown

Shout out to Mrs. Cartmell and the middle school cheerleaders for an excellent half-time routine! – Tammy Brown

Shout out to Mr. G. and Mrs. Mettling for making sure we still had guidance this week! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to the person who left the "sweet" note of encouragement this week! -Tammy Brown

Shout out to Mr. Scribner for an excellent plan to separate crowds for Winter Sports considering COVID. –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Dennis Switzer, Daniel Scribner, Junilda Scribner, and Landon Lamb for all their work on the district house! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Russell Totty for picking some more material up for me this past week! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Middle School Basketball teams and their success last night! It was a good start to the season for most of you, but most of all I'm glad to see you get to play after all of your preparation! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Bill Edwards, Gavin GirtyCooper Studebaker, Landon Lamb, Taylor Brown, and Austin Mantanona. They moved this studio piano out of a practice room in the Music Room in the basement. These pianos typically weigh between 400 and 500 pounds. Chase Casteel organized the "moving crew." Thank you, gentlemen! -Joan Grover







## December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 <b>A</b>	2 <b>N</b> SCBL Meeting FFA @ Marion	3 <b>G</b> MS BB vs. CV/Dexter 5:00	4 <b>M</b> HS BB @ Lebo 5:00	5 HS WR Tournament @ Rosalia 9:00 Booster Club Craft Fair 8:00- 2:00 Virtual Theatre Conference
6	7 <b>U</b> HS Scholars Bowl @ Udall 4:30 MS BB vs. Central 5:00 HS BB @ Fairfield	8 <b>S</b> HS BB @ Fair- field 3-5 Vocal Con- cert 7:00	9 <b>T</b>	10 <b>A</b> MS BB @ Sedan 4:00	11 <b>N</b> FFA @ Hutchinson HS BB @ Fair- field	12 ACT Test HS WR Tournament @ Hesston 9:00 HS BB @ Fair- field
13	14 <b>G</b> BOE @ Cassoday7:30Primary Concert7:00HS Scholars Bowl@ South Haven4:30	15 <b>M</b> HS BB @ Buffalo 4:00	16 Holiday Parties Primary 2:15 Intermediate 2:45 MS/HS Band & Vocal Concert 7:00	17 End of 1st Semes- ter HS BB vs. Eure- ka 5:00	18 NO SCHOOL Work Day	19
20	21 Winter Break	22 Winter Break	23 Winter Break NO WINTER PRACTICE	24 Winter Break NO WINTER PRACTICE	25 Winter Break Christmas NO WINTER PRACTICE	26 NO WINTER PRACTICE
27 NO WIN- TER PRACTICE	28 Winter Break	29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break	31 Winter Break		

# DECEMBER



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
This is equal opportunity provider and employer. Meals are subject to change.	1 BREAKFAST: Bagel with Strawberry Cream Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chili with Beans W.G. Corn Chips Sliced Pineapple W.G. Cinnamon Roll Milk	2 BREAKFAST: Grape Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Sausage Links Hash Browns Cream Gravy Biscuit Vegetable Juice Mandarin Oranges Milk	3 BREAKFAST: Cereal, String Cheese, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Cheese French Bread Pizza Corn Diced Peaches Applecrisp Milk	4 BREAKFAST: Chocolate Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Pork Rib Patty on Bun Savory Fries Mixed Vegetables Sliced Pears Milk
7 BREAKFAST: Cereal Bar, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Pineapple Tidbits W.G. Roll Milk	8 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk <u>LUNCH:</u> Grilled Chicken Patty on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Peas Lettuce Applesauce Milk	9 BREAKFAST: Oatmeal Breakfast Cook- ie, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Fiestada Pizza Green Beans Strawberries & Bananas Fruit Roll Up Milk	10 BREAKFAST: White Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk <u>LUNCH:</u> Ham Mashed Potatoes Pork Gravy Tropical Fruit Biscuit Cake Milk	11 BREAKFAST: Cereal, Pop Tart, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chili Crispitos Corn Whole Apple Nature Valley Crisps Milk
14 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Chex Mix, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza California Blend Vegeta- bles Mandarin Oranges Sidekicks Milk	15 BREAKFAST: Grape Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Taco Crunch Refried Beans Salsa Diced Pears W.G. Cinnamon Buns Lettuce & Tomato Milk	16 BREAKFAST: Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk <u>LUNCH:</u> Turkey Ham & Cheese on Hoagie Bun French Fries Steamed Carrots Diced Peaches Goldfish Crackers Milk	17 BREAKFAST: Super Donut, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Brown Gravy Tropical Fruit W.G. Breadstick Milk	18 NO SCHOOL
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#### **Cancellations and Postponements due to Covid**

Fall Sports Banquet postponed from November 18; check for future date
School will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. on December 17, 2020
MS/HS Band and Choir concert rescheduled to December 16 in the Rosalia Main Gym
FFA December 2 event is cancelled
NHS Ceremony will be held on December 9 with only families of inductees
Booster Club Craft Fair on December 5 is cancelled
Intermediate Vocal Concert will be on December 8 in the Rosalia Main Gym
FFA event on December 11 is cancelled
Primary Concert will be on December 14 in the Rosalia Main Gym
Theatre Production is postponed to Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6
Board of Education meeting will be held in Rosalia following the Primary concert
January Board of Education meeting will be in Cassoday