

Finthils Flyer USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

May 2021

Leaving a Legacy

For several years students at Flinthills have created legacy art. Legacy art is artwork that is created for a specific space and/or intended to be left at a certain location.

When you walk into the high school the first and largest legacy work is the tile Mustang mural. I spent 3 years having all students, staff & community patrons create a tile before assembling it on the wall one summer. I chose this wall because it was an orange brick wall and I wanted our school colors to be the first thing visitors noticed. This mural was funded through our Place-Based grant where we focused on learning about our community and the prairie.



In the west gym is the scorer's table which was painted by high school art students who chose this project because the West gym was overshadowed visually by the newer East gym.

Walking down the Library hallway you'll see the 7 traits that year's middle school art class wished to see in our student body. They learned to create the frames, stretch the canvas and collaborate so all the paintings worked together collaboratively.

The Intermediate school has their own collaborative paintings where each class creates a painting that every student has a hand in creating. These are hung above the lockers in the hallway.

The last collaborative paintings occur around this time every spring, where Seniors leave their mark by painting a brick in the art room. I love seeing students thoughtfully choose their brick & ponder what image they want to tell their story.

My own legacy work is not the images I leave on the walls but that my students remember me as a teacher who loved them, that life could be full of fun and laughter, and that I believed they could do anything.

-Michal Austin







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From the Desk of the Superintendent, Jeremy Boldra

Hello, Flinthills Families!

What a year! I can't believe it's almost over! To think about what has been accomplished at Flinthills during a pandemic none of us have ever experienced in our lifetimes is remarkable!

Thanks to the Board and your great support, we were able to offer our students a very "normal" year considering the pandemic and in comparison to many other school districts. Especially when you consider the number of community members we brought in to work with our middle and high school students in their "Choice Classes," it was a tremendous year!

Beyond that we had many teams and individuals compete and place in State Tournaments! Congratulations to all who competed at that level!

Additionally, our administrative team and teachers went through some rigorous work to prepare for a district-wide Multi-Tiered Support System (MTSS) to enhance learning as well as a greater focus on social-emotional learning.

Finally, we completed all bond projects you supported and more given the SPARK grant money we received.

I couldn't be prouder of what has been accomplished, and I look forward to even more success in the next few years, and it starts with the summer enrichment program we are starting this summer! I hope you feel the same way. Go Mustangs!

Respectfully, Jeremy Boldra

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Flinthills Mustangs May 2021

As we wrap up the 2020-2021 school year, I hope our students, staff, and community feel a sense of pride in a job well done. I consider this school year a great success thanks to the diligent work of administration and staff, the support of a great community, and the flexibility of students. In the midst of a global pandemic our students showed a great deal of resiliency in the face of challenges and constant changes. I am forever grateful for my time at Flinthills and the impact it has had on me.

Summer holds opportunities for relaxation and fun, while also taking time to plan ahead. Visits to college campuses, academic and sports camp participation, and volunteer/community service activities all help encourage a student's strengths while discovering what they find interesting and rewarding. This summer, look for opportunities to grow, build self-confidence and character, and learn important life skills.



"I hacked into the school computer and changed all my grades. Then the school hacked into my computer and deleted all my games!'

UPDATES



Event 1

-May 14th: 8th grade and Seniors' last day -May 14th @ 8:30am: High School Academic Assembly -May 14th @ 1:00pm: Middle School Academic

Event 2

Assembly

-May 15: 8th Grade Promotion @ 1:00pm

Event 3

-May 15: High School Graduation @3:00pm

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

It's hard to believe that the 2020-21 school year is almost over. As this year comes to a close, I want you to know that it has been an honor to be a part of the Flinthills' community. It is always a blessing to watch children grow and change throughout the year. It is a tremendous joy to the faculty and administration to have a part in the lives of each student.

I want to thank each family for your part in helping develop students' hearts and minds throughout this year. We are so thankful for the ongoing partnership with each of you!

The upcoming weeks will be filled with athletic competitions, academic events, Fine Arts concerts, and celebrations. I encourage each of you to enjoy each moment and be sure to take the time to be present when possible.

As we prepare for the upcoming graduation, I want to personally thank the Seniors and their families for the opportunity to be a part of their education. It takes hard work, dedication, and family support to reach high school graduation. The faculty and administration at Flinthills is proud to soon present the graduating class of 2021 and celebrate all of their accomplishments. We are excited to see them continue to achieve their goals into the future. Please come help us celebrate the graduating Seniors **at our** High School Graduation ceremony to be held on Saturday, May 15th at 3:00pm in the Flinthills gymnasium.



We'd Like to Recognize...

April Middle School Student of the Month

Addison Cartmell

Parents - Michael & Casey Cartmell

Hobbies – Gardening, camping, playing the violin

Activities - Cheer, band, Youth Group

Favorite Class - Band





April High School Student of the Month

Willow Kane

Parents - Richard Kane

Hobbies - Writing, running, and hanging out with friends

Activities - Track and SkillsUSA

Favorite Class — Health

March Employee of the Month



Stephanie Girty was unanimously selected as the Employee of the Month for March. Stephanie has worked in the District the last 10 years, and has been the Board Clerk for the last 8 years.

Stephanie is characterized as the most positive, cheerful, hardworking advocate for Flinthills! Her common sense approach to problem solving is always appreciated, and the way she works with people is always professional and genuine. Her smile is infectious, and she wears it all the time regardless of the task. She handles payroll, purchasing, bookkeeping, state reporting, food service, not to mention the "free store" for kids, Christmas families, event videographer, and any other thing that pops up to benefit the district. The only thing she is missing is a cape, which is complimentary to any superhero.

Congratulations to Stephanie! She will receive a Flinthills' Certificate and a Messenger Bag.

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Classes—Where the Learning Begins

Middle School Science Happenings

Middle school students have been busy exploring in science the past month. 6th graders studied various chemistry topics, including phase change. Students put their knowledge to use when making ice cream in a bag. Yum! They also learned what makes a substance acidic or basic and tested common items using a cabbage juice indicator.

-Story and pictures by Ms. Jamie Swafford









7th graders explored the Earth's layers and tectonic plates. They learned how scientists study the inner layers of the Earth and how tectonic plates move. Students ended with a lab simulating how convection currents occur below the Earth's surface and aid in movement of tectonic plates.







8th graders wrapped up the study on genetics. One of their favorite activities was extracting DNA from strawberries. They were amazed with the process and the fact they could visibly see the clump of DNA.









Wood Shop













5TH GRADE BAND







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Classes—Where the Learning Begins

MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSIC CONTEST AT FLINTHILLS

When she found out the SCBL Middle School Music Contest was cancelled because of Covid, Mrs. Grover scheduled our own here at Flinthills. Chad Ingram and Brett Martinez from Butler Community College were the judges. Every vocal and instrumental student in Middle School performed at the contest in the band, vocal/instrumental small ensembles and/or solos. Both judges took time to work with the students to help them learn to be better musicians. It was a great day!

-Mrs. Joan Grover

-Pictures by Melissa Scribner, Taren Lakin, and Reagan Heimgartner

2021 FMS Instrumental Vocal Contest Results

Vocal Entries—Chad Ingram, Judge

- II+ Mixed Ensemble 1—Kaylee, Emma, Sydney, Katelyn, Cali, Neveah, Levi, Kodee
- II- Boys Ensemble—Konner, Jake, Jaxon, Brock, Zack, Levi, Kodee
- I- Mixed Ensemble 2—Brylee, Ataya, Nileri, Hannah, Jaxon, Brock, Zack, Brooke, Miah, Ember, Keira, Tagen Karsyn, Paige
- I—Girls Ensemble—Tagen, Karsyn, Lilly, Paige, Brylee, Ataya, Nileri, Hannah, Brooke, Miah, Ember, Keira, Kaylee, Emma, Sydney, Katelyn, Cali, Neveah
- I- Mixed Ensemble 3—Tagen, Karsyn, Konner, Jake, Lilly, Paige
- I- Nilari Cabugo, vocal solo
- I- Katelyn Corter, vocal solo
- I—Ataya Nesser, vocal solo
- I—Brylee Heimgartner, vocal solo
- II+ Lilly McNary, vocal solo
- I- Paige Corter, vocal solo
- II+ Karsyn Flores











2021 FMS Instrumental Music Contest Results

Instrumental Entries—Brett Martinez, Judge

I—FMS Band

II—Euphonium Trio-Tylan Charles, Cole

I—Tuba/Saxophone Quintet –Mason, Parker, Kaiden, Kolter, Parker

I—Percussion Trio-Taylor, Colton, Hunter

I—Snare Drum Trio-Kyle, Karynn, Tripp

I—Trumpet Trio 2-Charli, Jordyn, Emma

I—Trumpet Trio 1-Joliene, Talon, Brylee

I—Trombone Quartet-Rylie, Cami, Chloe, Nilari

II—Sax Trio-Harlee, Emily, Jake M.

I—Clarinet Trio-Addison, Alex, Yeva

I-Woodwind Trio-Keira, Ataya, Addison

I—Talon Scribner, trumpet solo

II—Charli Bohnen, trumpet solo

I—Brylee Heimgartner, trumpet solo

I—Joliene Dragoo, trumpet solo

I—Rylee Wight, trombone solo

I—Keira Poston, flute solo

II—Kolter Flores, alto sax solo

I—Emily Scribner, alto sax solo

I—Harlee Randall, alto sax solo

I—Kyle Parker, snare drum solo

I—Yeva Taylor, clarinet solo

NR—Alex Scribner, clarinet solo

I—Addison Cartmell, clarinet solo













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ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

SAFE Sponsrs Egg Hunt for High School

SAFE sponsored a student Easter Egg hunt to promote SAFE driving. Over six hundred paper eggs were in the gym and high school students scrambled to collect as many as they could. Some eggs were marked for prizes, some eggs gave students the chance to compete for larger prizes. These lucky students answered trivia questions based on teen driving habits & accident statistics.





The SAFE team members worked hard all year educate their peers on the dangers of distracted driving. The team consists of Kaily Gilman, Amanda Brown, Madilynn Thomas, Karly Girty, Yana Taylor, Alexis Hatvick, Matison Totty and Abbi Hilyard.

-Pictures and article by Mrs. Michal Austin



FHS Forensics Showcase





State Champs Bound

TSA Does Outstanding Job at State Conference!

TSA (Technology Student Association) recently competed in the state TSA conference. 7 members competed with 3 returning members and 4 new members. Students competed virtually for two days, presenting their projects, writing essays, and meeting over Zoom with judges for interviews. State placement is based on earning points, so in order to place you must earn enough points to qualify. The results are as follows:

Brandon Gleason: State Champion – Music Production Jonathan McCreight, Brandon Gleason, Dawson Sharp: 3rd Place – On Demand Video

Madilynn Thomas, Amanda Brown, Kaily Gilman & Adley Humig: 4th Place – On Demand Video

Kaily Gilman: 5th Place – Extemporaneous Speech

Jonathan McCreight & Adley Humig: 4th Place – Board Game Design

All 4 girls were competing in their first TSA state competition. They were nervous but competed like champions, not knowing what to expect but doing their best. All four placing is impressive!

The three boys are all juniors and competed

their Freshmen year. Dawson & Jonathan placed 2nd that year and moved on to compete in the National competition in Washington DC. There was no competition last year due to COVID. This year all 3 boys placed in the top 3, qualifying them for Nationals. The National competition is virtual this year, and all 7 members are going to be eligible to compete!

Jonathan McCreight and Brandon Gleason ran for a State TSA officer position this year and both will serve on the 2021-2022 state officer team! It's been an incredible year!

-Pictures and articles.

-Pictures and article by Mrs. Michal Austin



MIDDLE SCHOOL PROMOTION

Middle School promotion will be held on Saturday, May 15th at 1p.m in the new gym.

The 8th grade class voted to dress up this year.

Please have students meet Ms. Mooney in the library no later than 12:30 p.m.

f you have any questions, please feel free to email Ms. Mooney at j.mooney@usd492.org or call or text her at 316-755-6522.

ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

From 2021









More Examples of Legacy Art...















Flinthills 4-H Club

Rosalia had a Community Easter Egg
Hunt on Saturday, April 3rd. The
Flinthills 4-H Club helped to scatter
eggs, assisted with the hunt, and
cleaned up the football field afterward. Members
enjoyed the opportunity to help with this community activity.

ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

Sutton's Art Honored

Taylor Sutton was recently honored at the Congressional Art Competition at the Mark Arts building in Wichita. Taylor received honorable mention, placing in the top 10 out of 177 entries. She received a certificate from Congressman Ron Estes in a ceremony on April 17. Taylor's art will be displayed at the Mark Arts until May 1.

-Mrs. Michal Austin





CLARK ONE OF TOP SIXTEEN RIDERS IN NATION

Flinthills High School Junior Megan Clark earned a spot as one of the top 16 horse riders in the nation in the class called "Equitation on the Flat Walk/Trot." She qualified at the National Finals in Perry, Georgia, after winning the Regional and Zone Regional competitions.

Although Megan grew up around horses, she only really started riding after moving back from Hawaii two years ago. About a year ago, she started riding English style which is different from the more



common (in this area) Western style. Western riding events include barrel racing, roping, rodeo, etc. while English riding includes events like jumping, dressage, etc. Western saddles are big with saddle horns and are built to comfortably hold the rider in the saddle while English saddles are flat and require more muscle to hold the rider in place.

She rides for the Windy Fox Farm and competes in a category called IEA



which means she goes to the show where the hosts draw names to see which horse each person will ride. It will be a horse she has never seen or ridden before.

She had tons of fun and looks forward to next year.

High School Musicians Earn Nine Ones at State

KSHSAA changed from their usual Regional and State Contest this year to one virtual contest. We had to make

and submit a recording of each entry. After they were submitted, the entries were judged according to State Contest standards. Our musicians brought home nine I's and two II's. Congratulations!!!

Philip Harris – Vocal Solo – I

Reagan Heimgartner - Vocal Solo - I

Taren Lakin - Clarinet Solo - I

Whitney Mantanona – Flute Solo – I

Savannah McCreight - Flute Solo - I

Laura Scribner – Marimba Solo – I

Choir – I

Woodwind Trio (Savannah McCreight, Whitney Mantanona, Taren Lakin) – I

Snare Drum Trio (Trena Garcia, Kianna Mantanona, Laura Scribner) – I

Kaily Gilman - Vocal Solo - II

Madilynn Thomas – Vocal Solo – II

-Mrs. Joan Grover









Garcia Receives Scholarship

Congratulations Trena Garcia for receiving the Government-in-Action Youth Tour Award and Scholarship!

Trena will receive a \$1,000 scholarship for college and will virtually attend the National Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Tour along with as many as 1,500 high school students from across the country. The students are sponsored by electric cooperatives — cooperatives that are committed to educating America's rural youth about America and the role electric cooperatives play in developing strong rural communities.

Pictured: Angie Clevenger, Butler Cooperative, and Trena Garcia

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FHS FORENSICS TEAM PLACES AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS!

The Flinthills High School Forensics Team fought hard among the top four of 28 schools at the KSH-SAA Forensics Virtual State Championship on May 1st for Top Placings. After five rounds of pre-lems, semifinals (Top 12) and finals (Top 6) in each event, The Winners were announced. Flinthills qualified 13 events for State while Kiowa and Pretty Prairie competed with maximum stte entries of 16 events. Sylvan-Lucas competed with 15 events. After all final scores were in, Flinthills placed 3rd with Kiowa in 1st, Sylvan-Lucas 2nd and Pretty Prairie 4th. Our Flinthills Team was thrilled to accomplish 3rd in the midst of such large and competitive teams! Of the 13 FHS events, which all contributed to the overall win, 10 events broke into Semi-Finals. Adley Humig placed close to Semi-Final Ranks in Humorous Solo Acting, Megan Clark placed 9th overall in Informative Speaking and Callie Cordts placed 8th overall in Informative Speaking. 8 of those 10 events advanced to Finals: Kolton Stanfield and Sydney Sorum in Improvised Duet Acting which placed 6th overall, Cael Sorum and Morgan Holcomb in Duet Acting which placed 4th overall, Alexis Hatvick in Original Oration who placed 3rd overall, Laura Scribner in Extemporaneous Speaking who swiped 2nd overall, and Savannah McCreight who placed 2nd overall in Poetry and 1st Place in OO which deems her the "Kansas 2021 Forensics State Champion" in Original Oration.

Coach, Julie McCreight, says this year's FHS Forensics Team is "determined, consistent, and passionate." She also says, "They truly care about one another's success and well-being." The team's assistant coach is Sandy Bell, Conner Sigg assisted the team with technology, and Yana Taylor is the team's manager. The 3rd Place State Trophy and KSHSAA Medals for the team will be awarded at the High School Academic Assembly.

-Pictures and Article by Julie McCreight



Sports News

Hartford Jaguar Invitational Results 4/14/2021

The Flinthills MS Track team is off to a great start this season. The 8th Grade Girls Team finished 1st Place overall in the first two meets of the year at the Central Invitational and Eureka Invitational. At the Hartford Jaguar Invitational, held at Emporia State, the grade levels were not split and the Girls Team took third overall. These girls are bringing home some serious hardware!! Girls Medals and Places from the Jaguar Invitational follow:

High Jump 2nd Place – Harlee Randall

3200m Run 3rd Place - Emily Scribner

3200m Run 4th Place - Alex Scribner

Shot Put 1st Place - Paige Corter

Shot Put 4th Place - Emily Scribner

Long Jump 2nd Place – Rylee Wight

Long Jump 6th Place - Paige Corter

75m Hurdles 3rd Place - Harlee Randall

400m Dash 1st Place - Harlee Randall

800m Run 2nd Place - Emily Scribner

800m Run 4th Place - Alex Scribner

200m Dash 1st Place - Harlee Randall

In the Boys Division at the Jaguar Invitational the

following young men placed. Please remember that the Boys Division was not split into Grade Levels and all the following young men are 6th and 7th Graders!

Discuss 4th Place - Levi Beard

Discuss 5th Place - Mason Randall

Shot Put 5th Place - Levi Beard

3200m Run 5th Place - Talon Scribner

4 x 100m Relay 4th Place – Talon Scribner, Tripp Carney, Parker Sutton, Peyton Wight

4 x 200m Relay 5th Place – Levi Beard, Kaiden Newman, Cole Beard, Mason Randall

4 x 400m Relay 5th Place – Tripp Carney, Parker Sutton, Peyton Wight, Talon Scribner

-Coach Chase A. Casteel

-Pictures by Melissa Scribner













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Sports News Softball 2021

The softball team has 11 players out. The season started off strong winning our first four league games but has slowed down since then. Our record is now 6 wins with 9 losses. This is not bad since we lost 8 of our 9 starters from last years' team. The girls are working hard and seem to be having fun.

Here are our stat leaders: Kylee Weis batting .459 with 3 home runs, 17 hits, 21 runs and 15 RBI's; Jessie Mooney with On-base average .704, 4 doubles, 21 runs and 27 walks/HBP; Madison Alvord, 12 singles, 17 hits and 2 triples; Laura Scribner 2 triples.

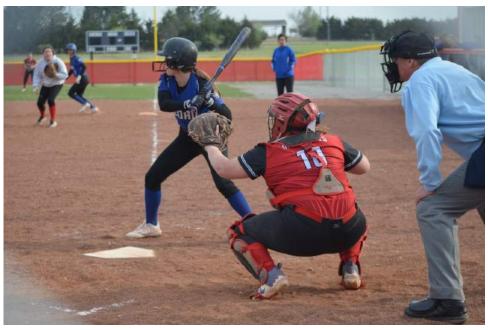
We have two league games left, league tournament and then post season play. The season has gone by quickly and Coach Allie and I have enjoyed it very much.

-Coach Kent Harms



Softl	ball Roster	
	Name	Class
1	Alexis Schill	10
2	Laura Scribner	10
3	Mary Spencer	11
4	Kaily Gilman	10
6	Jessie Mooney	11
8	Tabitha Brown	11
9	Kayley Smith	11
10	Kylee Weis	12
15	Whitney-Lulani Mantanona	11
21	Madison Alvord	10
34	Sydney Sorum	9

Pictures by Melissa Scribner





Softball and Baseball Complex Officially Open

On April 12 at 4:00, the new Baseball and Softball Complex was officially opened. It was commemorated with a first pitch at each of the diamonds.

On the Baseball Field, Rick Cox threw out the First Pitch with Chris Locke as an honorary guest. Mr. Locke was the first baseball coach at Flinthills while Rick Cox enjoyed a long tenure as the Baseball Coach early at Flinthills. Erik Sorum is the current baseball coach.



On the Softball Field, Kent Harms threw out the First Pitch with Jan Ferrar as an honorary guest and the catcher. Ms. Ferrar was the first softball coach at Flinthills while Kent Harms has enjoyed a long career as the current softball coach.











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Sports News

HS Track Team Gains Valuable Experience

The Flinthills track team is young but actually running and jumping and throwing with the Big Dogs. We are inexperienced and are just learning, but we are having PR's (personal records) at about every meet and placing in the top 8 in a lot of the events.

We have the biggest track team that FHS has seen for several years with 18 members.

With the Covid canceling the track season last year and us only having upper classman competing for the first time, we are basically all freshman in the experience category.

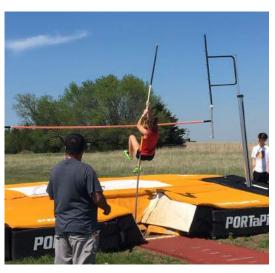
We are looking forward to many more PR's and qualifying several for the state meet. Come watch the athletes they are really fun to watch.

-Coach Tod Johnson









High School Baseball Looking Forward to Tournament

High school baseball has had its ups and downs as we have had a group of kids that just have not played together much yet. With all the graduating seniors over the last 2 seasons we have had a lot of rebuilding and have not found our chemistry yet. We have shown signs of it, but hopefully it will all come together tournament time. Pitching has been decent, but our hitting and baseball sense has lacked at times and needs to improve as we get ready for league tournament next week. It's a great group of kids to work with, and hopefully we can find what we need to defend our tournament championship from 2019 season since we didn't get to play last year.

Flinthills Baseball and Softball Alumni Games will be June 26th. We are looking forward to seeing many returning faces to get a chance to play on the new fields. The plan right now is to also celebrate Coach Harms' retirement, so if you can make it out we would love to see some alumni that evening. Please show up around 6 and we plan on throwing first pitches out at 7 pm and play under the lights some.

Udall Junior High Track Meet Results 4/22/2021

8th Grade Girls: 1st Place out of 13 Teams

Shot Put 2nd Place: Paige Corter
Shot Put 3rd Place: Emily Scribner
Discus 1st Place: Paige Corter
Long Jump 2nd Place: Rylie Wight
Long Jump 4th Place: Paige Corter
Triple Jump 2nd Place: Harlee Randall
Triple Jump 3rd Place: Rylie Wight
High Jump 1st Place: Harlee Randall
200m Dash 1st Place: Harlee Randall
400m Dash 2nd Place: Harlee Randall
800m Run 1st Place: Emily Scribner
3200m Run 1st Place: Emily Scribner



Shot Put 6th Place: Mason Randall

Pole Vault 2nd Place: Peyton Wight

Pole Vault 6th Place: Tripp Carney

800m Run 6th Place: Talon Scribner

4 x 100m Relay 3rd Place: Emily Scribner, Cali Crossfield, Lainey Griffin, Rylie Wight

6^{th} / 7^{th} Grade Girls: 9^{th} out of 13 Teams

Pole Vault 3rd Place: Alex Scribner 75m Hurdle 3rd Place: Alex Scribner 3200m Run 1st Place: Alex Scribner

6th / 7th Grade Boys: 5th Place out of 13 Teams

Shot Put 2nd Place: Levi Beard Discus 6th Place: Levi Beard

Pole Vault 3rd Place: Talon Scribner

75 Meter Hurdles 6th Place: Peyton Wight

3200m Run 2^{nd} Place: Talon Scribner

4 x 200m Relay 2nd Place: Mason Randall, Levi Beard, Parker Sutton, Kaiden Newman



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Flinthills Primary and Intermediate

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

Can we say much about this past year and a half has been normal? While it has been interesting, sometimes frustrating and often confusing, we have adapted and possibly become better in many areas. I think that as a school district, we have learned a great deal and quite possibly many of our new ways are here to stay.

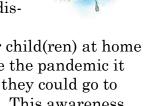
One example of a positive change is reducing the number of entry points we have into the school. This allows us to greet the kids as they enter the building each morning. While we may not be taking their temperatures any more, we are building positive relationships. Another positive from limiting the points of entry is that we do not have Intermediate and Primary students walking through the High School parking lot to get on the bus or enter the building. I think that safety measure is something that we will see continue long after the pandemic has ended.



Google classroom has become widely used in all grades from K-12. Students know how to get on to Google classroom and move around to see what assignments they need to complete or what hasn't been turned in yet. This has been a great tool for teachers to communicate with students when they are gone for a wide variety of reasons.

Zoom has become a tool that changed from one that was hardly used in our school setting to one that is still used and will continue to be used in the future. Having buildings that are 15 miles apart, it is difficult to be in both places at the same time. We have used Zoom to meet with staff and parents, and it has been a great tool in the redesign process we are doing. Many of our presenters have been quarantined or unable to attend our training sessions. They simply Zoom in and it is like they are right in the room with you.

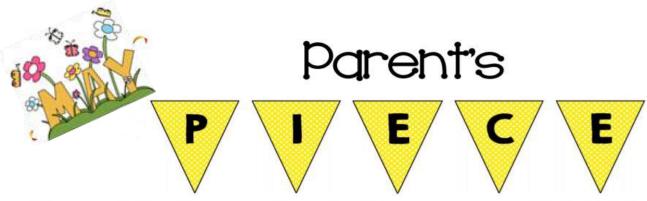
Heightened awareness of hand hygiene has been a big push at school this year. We have emphasized to our staff and our students to wash their hands correctly and often. The use of hand sanitizer has also helped keep kids from getting as many colds and sniffles. I know we will continue this process in our district.



Parents have had more of an awareness to keep their child(ren) at home if they are running a temperature or not feeling well. Before the pandemic it was easy to give them a Tylenol and send them to school so they could go to work for a while before the school called to send them home. This awareness has led to fewer germs at school which has limited the amount spreading of other illnesses in the schools.

We have added air cleaning systems to our HVAC units that continue to clean the air in the buildings. We will be adding ceiling fans that have ultra violet lights attached to them that also kill the germs in the school and filter the air. These will all be staying in the buildings to keep the air clean for years to come.

While things are slowly going back to pre-pandemic ways it has not been without changes to our day to day activities at school and many of these changes will continue to benefit the staff and students for years to come. So the new normal will not be the same as the old normal but, it will all be normal as we end one school year and look to start the next.



Parent Information to Encourage Child Education

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working with the intermediate students this year. I am so proud of the ways they have demonstrated the character traits they have learned about. I will sure miss their smiley faces and enthusiasm for learning.

Courage is our character trait for May. We define it as, choosing what is good, right, and kind, even when it's hard or scary. We have spent the entire school year learning about character traits and now we are learning how to have courage in living out what we have learned. Ways to show courage are:

Be yourself and own it.

Take responsibility and accountability.

Keep your commitments and make goals.

Have a voice and say no.

Let go and forgive.

Grow and learn.

Practice gratitude.

Learn from your mistakes.

Books about Courage

Courage by Bernard Waber Brave Irene by William Steig Sheila Rae, The Brave by Kevin Henkes Henry's Freedom Box by Ellen Levine Page 24 Flinthills Flyer



Superheroes Don't Always Wear Capes!

Mrs. Dragoo's second grade class explored the process of preparing, producing, and running a lemonade stand. They worked diligently through the process of exploring foundations to raise money for, creating marketing material, and making fresh squeezed lemonade. During the Literacy Night, the second graders sold this delicious beverage with homemade cookies and made \$533.38. This year second grade chose the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation to gift their charitable donation to.









The 2021 Spring Semester of Kids Klub went <u>very</u> well. The kids not only consumed very large quantities of the sandwiches that they cannot seem to get enough of, but they also continued to learn about Jesus and those brave men and women who share the Good News about Jesus throughout the world. Our final session included a visit from Missionary Gracia Burnham, a Kansas native and author of the book, *In the Presence of My Enemies*, who shared some of her experiences with the kids.

On behalf of the entire Cassoday Community Church Kids Klub ministry team, thank you for continuing to allow us to spend time with your children on Tuesday's. We are already looking forward to seeing them again for the Fall Semester.

Have a great day in Jesus!

-Pastor Jim

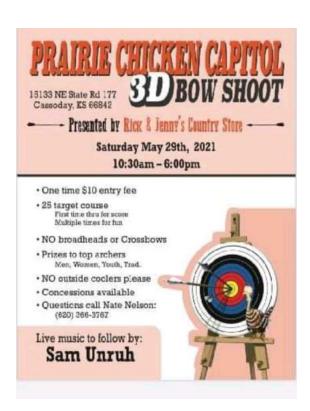


Come join the fun of VBS ages 4 (potty trained) thru 6th grade in Cassoday June 21-25, 9 am—11:30 am

Volunteers needed contact Sarah Grunder 620-640-3643



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Upcoming shows in Cassoday
Ricky Fugitt April 10th
Gus Burns April 23rd
Sam Unruh May 29th
Brickhorse June 12th
Villains Dance July 17th
Savanna Chestnut August 20 with special guest
singers Hannah Robinson and more

Our Country Store is putting together some fun family entertainment for the community. Mark your calendars and plan to attend a show or two.



Intermediate Student of the Month

Emmerine Marsh

3rd grade

Parents: Caleb and Jillian Marsh

Hobbies & Activities: Drama, Robotics, Art, Climbing, and Kickball

Favorite Classes: Art, Drama, and Science

Small Town Cowboy from Rosalia, Ks, with Big Dreams of Being a World Champion Bull Rider

Brady Thomas, 6 yrs old turning 7 in July, is a first grader in Ms. Davison's class at Flinthills Primary School in Cassoday. He has been riding miniature bucking bulls for three years.

In 2019 Brady made the World Finals in Las Vegas and ended 5th in the world. Brady kept his goal and started out good in 2020 and also made the World Finals in 2020 in Mesquite, Texas, and ended 12th in the World.

Through riding bulls, Brady has also bought his own miniature bucking bulls and has become a Stock Contractor for the World Championship Miniature Bull Riding. Brady has eight bulls that have been to the World Finals and hopes to have more in 2021. His goal is to become the 2021 World Champion.

On June 5th, 2021, Brady is putting on his first rodeo--the Sunflower Mini Bull Battle 2021 where he



and some of the top youth cowboys in the world will compete for being the first Sunflower Mini Bull Battle Champion. They will be fighting for their spot in the 2021 World finals.

Some of Brady's accomplishments:

In July of 2019, he ended 4th at the Lane Frost Major Event in Lane, Oklahoma

In December of 2019, he ended 5th in the World in Las Vegas

In February of 2020, he ended 2nd at the Jr American in Fort Worth, Texas

In December of 2020, he ended 12th in the World in Mesquite, Tx

He ended 2020 as the Champion for the Tumble I Series

Good luck, Brady!



Leave It to the Middle School for Innovation!

Mrs. Grover had a very large box that she needed to have moved to Mrs. Brown's room. She asked some middle school students to help and they came up with a solution to easily move the box. They did say it was hot inside the box!

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Shout Outs 4-9-21

Shout out to Chase Casteel for all your hard work with all things Tech at Flinthills! Thank you for getting everyone printing again! - Stephanie Girty

Shout out to Kristin and Crystal for planning a fun Literacy night! - Tiffany Cogdell Shout out to our Redesign team for a fun work day! - Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to all of the parents that attended literacy night. It great to see all the support for reading. - Larry Gawith

Shout out to the Intermediate staff for planning and helping make "Family Literacy Night" a huge success! -Larry Gawith

Shout out to the 2nd grade class for raising \$500 in their lemonade stand for Crohn's Disease! - Larry Gawith

Shout out to Matison Totty for always going above and beyond to help in the office. She shows up every day with a great attitude and ready to work. It is appreciated! –Casey Cartmell

Shout out to Crystal Ratcliff and Kristen Sangals for planning such a FUN FILLED family literacy night. You are our Super Heroes! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Mrs. Dragoo and the 2nd grade students on a job well done with your lemonade and cookie stand. Not all heroes wear capes and you all definitely proved that! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to our community members! Family Literacy Night was a huge success! -Michelle Nelson

Shout Out to Janae Mettling and Russell Totty for helping with temperatures this week! -Leesa Smith

Shout Out to everyone that helped yesterday make the baseball and softball fields look GREAT! -Leesa Smith

Shout out to Chelsea Waller for helping us organize classes and prepare students for their school pictures! - Casey, Michelle and Leesa

Shout out to all the families that attended our Literacy Night! We appreciate you taking time out of your busy schedules to attend! -Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Russell, Dennis, Erik, Trevor, Bill, Brandon, and all the kids who helped get the field ready for the Flinthills Baseball Home Opener last night! Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all our Pre-K-5 grade staff who helped make our Literacy Night successful. Whether you helped make capes or masks or ran a station, you are appreciated! –Kristin Sangals

A special shout out to Michelle Nelson who spent many hours preparing for Literacy Night, helped set up, and then was in charge of taking superhero pictures and helping students select their free book! –Kristin Sangals

Shout Out to Mr. Boldra and Russell Totty for getting the ball fields ready and looking great! -Daniel Scribner

Shout out to our amazing Art teacher, Mrs. Austin, for all her dedicated work with our ReDesign. We appreciate you! - Mr. Hunter

Shout out to our wonderful teachers for all their dedicated work and commitment this year. Thank you! - Mr. Hunter

Shout out to Mrs. Mettling for all she has done. Thank You! - Mr. Hunter

Shout out to Michelle for finding instructions for the new projector. -Lisa Taylor

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Shout Outs 4-9-21 (continued)

Shout out to Mr. G for helping with the library label maker AGAIN!!! - Lisa Taylor

Shout out to our awesome paras, Marla and Chloe! –Lísa Taylor

Shout out to Crystal Ratcliff and Kristin Sangals for a fun Literacy Night! -Lisa Taylor

Shout Outs 4-16-21

Shout out to Brandon for the superior job you've done in keeping my rooms clean this year! I appreciate it!
-Michal Austin

Shout out to Taylor Sutton for getting in the top 10 for the Congressional Art Competition! -Michal Austin

Shout out to all the SAFE students who are stepping up and applying to be on the state SAFE student board! -Michal Austin

Shout out to all 7 TSA students who placed at state! And to Brandon Gleason for being State Champion!
-Michal Austin

Shout out to Lisa Taylor for EVERYTHING she does! Without her help in the mornings I'd be lost. -LeNell Noel

Shout out to Amanda Dragoo for getting our sandwiches for our fun day!! -Kayla Davison

Shout out to the following people who came out and helped decorate for prom: Julie and Eric McCreight, Tresa García, Tiffany Rosebraugh, Kerri and Ryan Smith, Missy Carney, Teagan Carney, Sarah and Roger Hinnen! -Karen Hinnen

Huge shout out to Trevor Kemp for helping chaperone prom and riding the After-Prom bus! -Karen Hinnen

Shout out to those helping tear down prom: Jonathan McCreight, Brandon Gleason, Tabby Brown, Savannah McCreight, Jackson Houseman, Julie and Eric McCreight, Roger Hinnen, and Tiffany Rosebraugh! – Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Rick Cox, Kent Harms, and Jan Farrar for opening our Baseball/Softball Complex with some ceremonial "First Pitches!" – Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Mrs. Sangals for progress monitoring and helping title students make big gains. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. Clark, Mrs. Sangals, and support staff for assisting with state assessments. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Cogdell and Mrs. Dragoo for all their hard work on redesign. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Myrick and Mrs. Mooney for handling PDP points. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Mítchell for working so hard with speech students and all the paperwork that entails. – Jenna Casteel

Shout out to K-5 staff and students on a successful Literacy Night. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to the 5th graders for working so hard on their state assessments! - Tammy Brown

Shout Outs 4-16-21 (continued)

Shout Out to all the primary students for their creative and hard work on their fabric squares for the quilt! Thank you, Mary Young and Jackie Sundgren, for putting together the Cassoday Primary Students quilt! It looks AMAZING! Thank you, Michelle Nelson, for hanging the quilt up and getting all the packets ready to send home! Thank you, Chloe, for all of your help finishing things up! Thank you, Halley, Kayla, and Amanda, for your all of your help! –Sarah Grunder

Shout Out to the 2nd grade class for an excellent Lemonade stand and for raising money for The Crohn's and Colitis Foundation in Kaleb's name! Our family is truly grateful and touched by your thoughtfulness!-Sarah Grunder

Shout Out to the Pre-K students for a really fun and exciting Career Day! You all did a wonderful job describing your chosen career and your reasons for choosing said career! Proud of you all! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Pre-K parents for your promptness in sending me pictures for graduation! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight and all of the State Bound Forensics kids! - Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Mrs. Austin and all of the State TSA Winners! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs - 4-23-21

Shout out to Ms. Grover and the middle school musicians. Ms. Grover went above and beyond to organize and facilitate a music contest for both the vocal and instrumental middle school musicians this week. What a great example of giving our students opportunities, in the face of this pandemic, that they otherwise would not have had. Plus they all sounded excellent!! –Melissa Scribner

Shout out to our wonderful administrative professionals: Michelle Nelson, Casey Cartmell and Leesa Smith. They are the glue that hold our schools together. Thank you for all of the many things you do! – Melissa Scribner

Shout out to Casey for being an awesome secretary! -Kristin Sangals

Shout out to Amanda and Tiffany for all their time and hard work on our redesign! -Kristin Sangals

Shout out to all of our Administrative Assistants for all their hard work and dedication to Flinthills - Mr. Hunter

Shout out to our Band / Vocal Director, Ms. Joan Grover for all of the remarkable work the you did preparing our students for the music contest. – Mr. Hunter

Shout out to middle school students who participated in the Band/Vocal contest. Great job! - Mr. Hunter

Shout out to Reagan and Taren for being my assistants and working with the judges at the Middle School Contest. –Joan Grover

Shout out to all the Middle School students for working so hard and representing our school so well both judges commented on it. —Joan Grover

Shout out to Joliene, Yeva, Ember and Paige for being door keepers during the Contest. Joan Grover Shout out to Mr. Casteel and his crew for moving the piano upstairs and then back downstairs. Joan Grover

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Shout Outs 4-23-21 (continued)

Shout out to Mr. Johnson's first hour class for making me a new podium. - Joan Grover

Shout out to all the teachers who let me disrupt their classes without a complaint. Thank you so much! – Joan Grover

Shout out to the primary staff for the wonderful gift basket for Secretary's Day. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Jim Vaught for my pencil calendar. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Mrs. Grunder for bringing some excitement to our school with the hatching of the chicks. They are so cute! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Michelle, my wonderful sub and the Primary staff for the support while I have to be away in Oklahoma tending to my parents. Janet Johnson

Shout out to the middle and high school paras for holding down the fort while I am in Illinois.

Shout out to Mrs. Grover for an awesome Middle School Music Contest! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Middle School Music Students who competed and performed on Wednesday! I was very impressed with your skills! -Mr. Boldra

Shout out to the Administrative Professionals (Stephanie, Leesa, Casey, and Michelle) for all they do! – Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs 4/30/21

Shout out to the Intermediate Crew! Sticking together and working hard these last few weeks. -Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight, Mrs. Austin, and Mrs. Garcia! They are doing amazing things with our intermediate kids! – Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Tiffany and Tammy for being a wonderful support system! - Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Kristin for helping with Fast Bridge, AimsWeb, and state assessments! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Clara for keeping the rooms so clean! -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Allie for helping with stations and recess! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Steve for covering my classroom whenever needed. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Dawn, Julí, Allíe, Steve, and Kristen for taking our students during STAR reading time so we can assess. Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Casey for keeping track of so many things for our students- we'd be lost without you! – Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Juli for keeping track of reading counts awards. -Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Tresa for all the hard work she is putting into the music program and talent show. Jenna Casteel

Shout Out to Sandy Bell, Karen Hinnen and Patty Baker for judging preliminary rounds at Forensics State Championships! –Julie McCreight

Shout Outs 4-30-21 (continued)

Shout out to Mrs. Waller for the extra míle she goes to build relationships with our Intermediate students! – Tammy Brown

Shout out to Mrs. Sangals for guiding 5^{th} grade through our first testing session with FastBridge! – Tammy Brown

Shout Out to everyone that helped with the Middle School Track Meet – Leesa Smith

Huge Shout Out to Russel Totty for fixing the sewer pipe behind the old bus barn and cleaning up the mess realized from the track meet! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Bus Drívers for being the first and last face of the school many of our kids see each day! I appreciate you getting kids to school and home safely each day! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight and the Forensics team! Good luck to our 11 participants in 13 events at State this Saturday! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Russell and Bill for cleaning up all the trash after the wind blew over a trash can on the base-ball/softball field commons area! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to everyone involved in prepping for the middle school track meet as well as those who ran the track meet! It takes an entire Flinthills family to pull off such an event! Jeremy Boldra

An Early Shout Out to all of our Teaching staff during National Teacher Appreciation Next Week! We have quite a week planned to celebrate you and all of your hard this crazy pandemic year! We also celebrate all of our support staff and ask that you participate with us next week! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the First Grade teacher Mrs. Davison on great testing scores! You are an amazing teacher! -Marla Edwards

Shout out to the first grade class for so much improvement! -Marla Edwards

Shout out to Dennis for fixing the ice maker AGAIN! -Lisa Taylor

Shout out to Michelle for the yummy breakfast casserole. -Lisa Taylor



Second Grade Visits the Intermediate School to Get Ready for Next Year

May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 Forensics State
2	3 A SB/BB vs. Oxford 4:00—Senior Night	4 N Primary Concert 7:00 HS TR @ Burlington 3:30 JV Baseball vs. Central 5:00 Sports Physicals 8:00 \$25.00	5 G SCBL Meeting	6 MS SCBL Track @ Udall 1:30	7 HS TR @ Remington 3:00	8 FHS Drama Awards 7:00
9 Mother's Day	10 BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 SB Tournament BB Tournament	11 3-5 Band & Vocal 6:30 MS/HS Band & Vocal 7:30	12 Farm Day Senior Finals 5-6-7	13 PreK Graduation 6:30 Senior Finals 1-2-3-4 SB/BB @ Winfield	14 Seniors Last Day 8th Grade Last Day HS Academic Assembly 8:30 MS Academic Assembly 1:00 HS SCBL Track @ Caldwell 3:00	15 8th Grade Promotion 1:00 Graduation 3:00
16	17 Intermediate— Talent Show 9:00 Awards 10:00 Field Day 1:00 HS Finals 5-6-7 SB/BB Regional	18 1:00 Dismissal/ Work Day Primary Rodeo Day Fall, Winter & Spring Sports Banquet & Awards 6:00 HS Finals 1-2-3-4	19 NO SCHOOL Staff Dev/Work Day	20	21 Track Regional @ Caldwell	22
23	24	25	26	27 SB/BB State	28 Track State @ WSU	29 Track State @ WSU
30	31 Memorial Day					







Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
3	4	5	6	7	
BREAKFAST: Combo Bar, Muffin, Juice, Milk	BREAKFAST: Red Sauce Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk	BREAKFAST: Mini Pancakes, Juice, Milk	BREAKFAST: White Mini Donuts, Juice, Milk	BREAKFAST: Breakfast Bites, Juice, Milk	
LUNCH: Chili Crispitos Corn Rosy Applesauce Mandarin Orages Oatmeal Bar Milk	LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy California Blend Veg. Sliced Pears W.G. Rolls Milk	LUNCH: Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Peas Baby Carrots Sliced Peaches Fruit Roll Up Milk	LUNCH: Sausage Links Hash browns Cream Gravy Biscuit Vegetable Juice Pineapple Milk	LUNCH: Rib Patty on Hoagie Bun Savory Fries Cauliflower Whole Apple Bunny Grahams Milk	
10	11	12	13	14	
BREAKFAST: Mini Cinni's, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Hamburger on Bun Green Beans French Fries Pickles Diced Peaches Cookie Milk	BREAKFAST: Breakfast Stick, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Fajitas on Flour Tortilla Corn Lettuce & Tomatoes Salsa Applesauce Tropical Fruit Milk	BREAKFAST: White Sauce Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Mixed Vegetables Diced Pears Biscuit Milk	BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Breaded Chicken Patty on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Peas Grapes Goldfish Crackers Milk	BREAKFAST: Sausage & Cheese Biscuit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Beef & Bean Burrito Corn Applecrisp Mandarin Oranges Milk	
17 BREAKFAST: French Toast Sticks, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Green Beans Tropical Fruit W.G. Rolls Milk	BREAKFAST: Chocolate Mini Donuts, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Beef Hot Dog on Bun Sun Chips Fruit Vegetable Juice Milk	This is equal opportunity provider and employer.	Meals are subject to change.	HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!	

ATTENTION PARENTS: If you plan to eat lunch with your child on Field Day (May 17),

or Rodeo Day (May 18), the kitchen needs to know by May 12th. The cost is \$3.90. Thank you.

For Primary School Rodeo Day call 620-735-4428 * For Intermediate School Field Day call 620-476-2218

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