

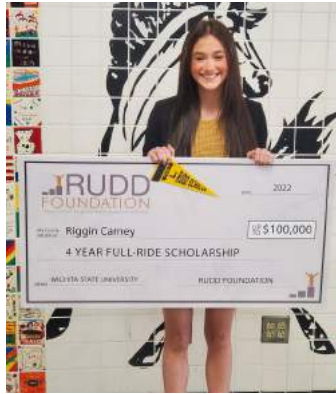


Flinthills Flyer

USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

March 2022

State of Our School:
EVER PROGRESSING!!!!



Mustang
Proud

From the Desk of Superintendent, Jeremy Boldra

I believe that one of the greatest things we've lost as people, as a society, is the ability to dream. Our technology has put everything at our fingertips, and we don't spend much time in thought.

When I began to think about becoming an administrator, I dreamt of leading a district to a Culture of Excellence. I didn't want to inherit excellence, but rather to build to a culture of excellence. I had experienced administrators who ruled with authority as a teacher, but I believed that I could lead in a different way...from the heart with care, empathy, and a common goal of doing what's best for kids. Because there was a culture of strength in the school community when I arrived, I believe that we were able to lay the groundwork in building a Culture of Excellence over the last seven years. I intentionally use the word "we" because no one does this alone. It takes committed and dedicated staff, a supportive community and board, and visionary leadership and goals to achieve so much with fidelity. Below is a short list of recent accomplishments that quickly came to my mind as things I could point to that demonstrated the Culture of Excellence that is being built to stand the test of time in Flint-hills.

Gavin Girty just won a State Championship in Wrestling; Riffin Carney and Savannah McCreight won full ride scholarships to Wichita State and Emporia State respectively; the middle school boys basketball team went undefeated winning league and the girls had done it the year before; Forensics has placed 3rd or better at State the last three competition years with individual State Champions and placers; Volleyball has gone to State three out of the last seven years; girls' basketball got their first trip to State last year; TSA has had two state Champions in the last six years with multiple state placers; our music program has become competitive again with very qualified individuals; our FFA program is back competing again; we have been represented by a Kansas Teacher of the Year nominee five of the last seven years; we are implementing MTSS reading, math, and social-emotional learning district-wide; we have launched our school redesign initiative; we started a PreK program that ensures Kindergarten readiness; and we have completed many projects which were part of an Emergency Performance Contract in 2017 and a bond passed in 2019.

Again, the list is not fully inclusive of what we have accomplished over the last seven years, but all of these things aren't accomplished without the communication, collaboration, dedication, hard work, and grit of a school community called Flinthills and my dream to build a Culture of Excellence with them. I am especially proud of what has been accomplished, and I challenge you to continue to dream and build upon the Flinthills Culture of Excellence moving forward.

Respectfully,
Jeremy Boldra



1st Semester Honor Roll

Flinthills Intermediate School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Fifth Grade: Trip Bohnen, Ellis Marshall, Rylee Randall, Jacob Scribner, Aiden Sharp, Koleson Swafford

Fourth Grade: Brentley Decker, Stella Edwards, Aubree Hays

Third Grade: Colton Anderson, Jasper Bohnen, Rogina Gadberry, Audrey Grunder, Harper Hinde, Kendall Jones, Laycie Jones, Gage LaRue, Agnes Leibbrandt, Halstyn Ludwick, Emmett Marshall, Jocelyn Oates, Rylee Poston, Kable Sutton, Greyson Swafford, Brayden Valle, Ellie Wilson

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Fifth Grade: A.J. Bertsch, Alayah Bowlin, Makayla Caravantes, Dane Edwards, Kavin Flores, Ellie Kreidler, Delanie Scott, Remington Waller, Cory Wells, Isabella Wight

Fourth Grade: Victoria Dennis, Reece Jackson, Emmerine Marsh, Jacoby Miner, Kynlee Naill, Luke Parker, Nolan Riemann, Makinsey Waller

Third Grade: Arlen Bertsch

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

Fifth Grade: Elijah Fulkerson

Fourth Grade: Isidro Alvarez, Ja'nay Brown, Kaydence Burling, Noah Riemann, Gleb Taylor, Nathan Town

Flinthills Middle School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Eighth Grade: Levi Beard, Jolienne Dragoo, Karynn Gleason, Brylee Heimgartner, Ataya Nesser, Yeva Nikolskaya-Taylor, Keira Poston, Alex Scribner, Maddy Willard

Seventh Grade: Talon Scribner

Sixth Grade: Coltin Dragoo, Garrett Jackson, Newell Marsh

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Eighth Grade: Katelyn Corter, Jacob Kane, Mason Randall, Jaxon Swafford

Seventh Grade: Charli Bohnen, Nilari Cabugo, Ember Kinning

Sixth Grade: James Corter, Ty Finley, Kaleb Grunder, Ariana Johnson, Adrienne Riemann, Taylor Wood

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

Eighth Grade: Taylor Brown, Parker Sutton, Hunter Davis, Barrett Hudson, Jake Hunter, Miah Monak, Kaiden Newman, Colton Reust

Seventh Grade: Alivia Alexander, Emma Anderson, Cole Beard, Tripp Carney, Charles Farris, Kolter Flores, Grant Griffin, Dallas Griffith, Jacob Hudson, Peyton Wight

Sixth Grade: Christopher Bowlin, Andromeda Coats, Deken Girty, Aidan Herrman

Flinthills High School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Seniors: Megan Clark, Brandon Gleason, Whitney Mantanona, Jonathan McCreight, Savannah McCreight, Kayley Smith

Juniors: Hailey Hall, Philip Harris, Adley Humig, Larrisa Lakin, Taren Lakin

Sophomores: Amanda Brown, Callie Cordts, Abbigale Hilyard, Danica Leis, Yana Nikolskaya-Taylor, Sydney Sorum

Freshmen: Kyle Parker, Harlee Randall, Emily Scribner

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Seniors: Tabitha Brown, Riggan Carney, Trena Garcia, Gavin Girty, Alexis Hatvick, Alissa Henson, Jackson Houseman, Cylan Lakin, Kody Mooney, Jessie Mooney, Dawson Sharp, Cael Sorum

Juniors: Nate Becker, Alexis Farris, Karly Girty, Klayton Griffith, Hunter Lowmaster, Callum Reust, Megan Rose, Laura Scribner, Madilynn Thomas

Sophomores: Lane Alvord, Taylor Sutton, Riley Garcia, Alexa Hardin, Kolby Holcomb, Rebecca Holstine, Willow Kane, Anthony Monak, Javin Weis

Freshmen: Tagen Carney, Addison Cartmell, Paige Corter, Cali Crossfield, Karsyn Flores, Jacob Mead, Rylie Wight, Tylan Willard

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

Seniors: Tayler Brown, Destiny Drake, Alex Lewis, Lynsee Olbrey, Dusty Schaffer, Cooper Studebaker, Emma Weber

Juniors: Madison Alvord, Kaily Gilman, Joshua Hunter, Zachary Thomas, Zara Thomas

Sophomores: Tate Leslie, Kianna Mantanona, Jace Newman, Conner Sigg, Kolton Stanfield, Conner Sutter, Cody Williams

Freshmen: Corbin Araiza, Cameryn Finley, Lilly McNary, Kodee Pinkerton, Jasmine Slaughter, Brooke Wilson

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

This month was an exciting month at Flinthills High School. In an effort to recognize and celebrate student achievements both inside and outside the classroom, we have compiled a list of academic and extracurricular accomplishments that involve our Flinthills students.

This list is by no means comprehensive, so please check additional newsletters for additional accomplishments that happen throughout the year.

Cael Sorum - Heisman High School Scholarship

Trena Garcia - Electric Cooperative Youth Tour Scholarship (Butler County Cooperative)

Trena Garcia - Butler County Community College 4-H Scholarship Award

Alexis Hatvick - SAFE Scholarship

Savannah McCreight - RUDD Scholarship (\$80,000) at Emporia State University

Riggin Carney - RUDD Scholarship (\$100,000) at Wichita State University

Gavin Girty - 3-2-1A State Wrestling Champion (220 lbs.)

Taylor Sutton - Silver Key in Scholastic Art Competition

These students have put forth hard-work and dedication to accomplish each of these individual goals. Thank you to everyone who contributes time, effort and volunteering to make our school great. All of these accomplishments are made possible with the support and partnership of the Flinthills families and community. Thank you, Mustang community!

Congratulations to Jenna Casteel!

Jenna Casteel was selected as the January Employee of the Month. Mrs. Casteel is in her second year teaching 3rd grade at Flinthills. She is in her 12th year teaching overall. Jenna was nominated by Dawn Waller. Mrs. Casteel was characterized as one who goes above and beyond to prepare lessons and kids for what they will learn and what they need to learn. She designs fun engaging activities that the students love, and she is well-liked by her students. Jenna always looks out for others, especially her colleagues trying to take things off their plate, instead off adding to it. She is a tremendous asset to our school. Mrs. Casteel will receive a certificate and a Flinthills Jacket!





January Middle School Student of the Month

Dallas Griffith

Parents – Ashley and Justin Griffith

Hobbies – Hanging with family, talking to friends and getting ready for track

Activities – Track and football

Favorite Classes – Social Studies, English and P.E.

January High School Student of the Month

Alissa Henson

Parents – Lisa Henson and Rodney Henson

Hobbies – Thrifting, making crafts, playing with my dog, photography, and spending time with my boyfriend and family

Favorite Class - Carpentry



February Middle School Student of the Month

Alex Scribner

Parents – Daniel & Junilda Scribner

Hobbies – Sports, Reading, School and hanging out with friends

Activities – Volleyball, basketball, cheer, track, math relays, scholar bowl, and softball

Favorite Class – Intro to Ag

February High School Student of the Month

Callie Cordts

Parents – Debbie & Bill Cordts

Hobbies – Playing with my dogs and hanging out with my friends

Activities – Drama Club, Forensics, NHS, Math Relays, and Volleyball

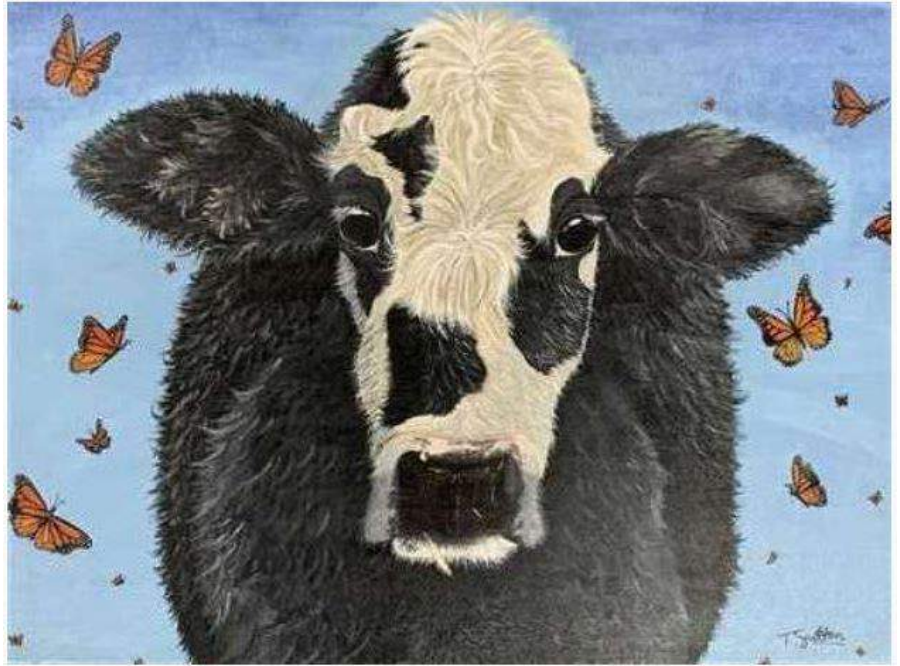
Favorite Class - Forensics



Classes—Where the Learning Begins

SUTTON WINS SILVER KEY

Taylor Sutton received a Silver Key in the Eastern Region Scholastic Art Show. Scholastic is a national art competition broken down by regions. There is an entry fee to submit an artwork which is then judged by a panel. Only Silver and Gold key winners actually exhibit their work, while honorable mention winners exhibit digitally. This is an extremely competitive art competition and a limited number of entries make it into the show. This year Taylor received her Silver Key award and will be exhibiting her painting “Danica’s Cow” at Mark Arts in Wichita.



The exhibition will be featured in Mark Arts Youth Gallery and School of Creativity Gallery from February 18 – March 26, 2022. There will be an awards ceremony at the closing of the show on March 26 from 1-4pm. The Mark Arts galleries are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is free. Mark Arts is located at 1307 N. Rock in Wichita. -Michal Austin



Leaders in Training

Every year there is a CTSO (Career & Technical Student Organizations) state officer training. There are several of these organizations in Kansas which include FFA, Skills, HOSA, DECCA & TSA. TSA has two state officers, Jonathan McCreight & Brandon Gleason.

During January these young men went to a training in Topeka where they enjoyed a guest speaker and ate lunch with the state school board, commissioner of education and several other government officials interested in having discussions with student leaders. It was a rewarding day filled with growth and leadership opportunities.

-Michal Austin

FHS THEATRE STUDENTS ATTEND STATE THEATRE CONFERENCE AND QUALIFY 3 FOR INTERNATIONALS

In January, Callie Cordts, Kolton Stanfield, Adley Humig, Philip Harris, Sydney Sorum, Savannah McCreight, Kaily Gilman, and Cael Sorum attended the Kansas State Theatre Conference to attend educational workshops, compete, and watch top High School Theatre Productions in the State of Kansas. Kaily Gilman, Cael Sorum and Savannah McCreight performed in the Thespy Acting Competition where all three received a “Superior” rating which is the highest award possible, qualifying them for the International Theatre Conference this June at the University of Indiana.

Savannah also auditioned for College Scholarships and received callback offers from 25 schools and conservatories. Several include: Oklahoma State University, Kansas State University, the American Academy of Dramatic Arts of NY, Sterling College, Southwestern College, Washburn University, The New York Film Academy, Conservatory at Stephen’s College, Arcadia University, William Jewel, Avila University, Friends University, Emporia State University, Rowan University and the University of Evansville.



Our students had fun Competing in Charades and Creative Costumes with Theatre Troupes from all over our state. Favorite Workshops included Stage Combat, Broadway Costuming, Improvisation and the ever popular Dance Classes.



-Julie McCreight

Pops Concert an Evening of Fun and Music

On Monday, February 14, the High School Choir Class put on their first annual pops concert. The students kicked off the concert with “The Best Day of Our Life.” Following that, the students sang some of their favorite songs with a karaoke background. They ended the evening with an arrangement of “Unforgettable.”

-Joan Grover



Prom Date Change

The Flinthills Junior/Senior Prom is quickly approaching. The date has been changed to March 26th. This is the first year in over 25 years that prom will be off campus. It will be held at Rock Creek Lodge. It is located at 6832 NW 40th Street, Towanda, Kansas. The doors will open at 6:00 P.M. for parents and community members to come and see the decorations. There is a covered porch but not seating in case of inclement weather.

Pictures for the students will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the class pictures will be taken no later than 8:00 p.m. We are in need of a few Junior parents to park cars this year. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Flinthills office. We hope to see you all there.

--Karen Hinnen



Cookies, anyone?

Members of Tri-M had a fun afternoon decorating cookies for the first annual Pops Concert.

Tri-M is a National Music Honor Society that recognizes musicians who maintain a 3-4 grade point average, who are enrolled in music, and who believe music is an essential part of life.

Members of Tri-M also attended the Kansas Music Educators Conference in Wichita and heard guest speaker Tim Lautzenhiser.

-Joan Grover

TSA Winter Conference

TSA (Technology Student Association) Winter Conference was held in Emporia on February 16. This conference is led by the TSA State Officer team.

State Officers Brandon Gleason & Jonathan McCreight have worked with the officer team via Zoom for the past two months to plan a CSI themed conference for members from around the state. When 4 state officers were unable to attend the remaining 4 state officers had to do double-duty to carry out a successful conference. They did awesome!

Flinthills TSA members Adley Humig & Amanda Brown had a chance to participate in team building activities as well as experience a Forensic Science competition.

-Michal Austin



*Happy
St. Patrick's Day!*

ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

FFA Busy and Successful

Flinthills FFA has been active over the past several weeks.

To start things off, a big congratulations to Kyle Parker who placed 4th overall in the South Central FFA Creed Speaking contest in Buhler. The contest was divided into two rooms. Kyle made it out of the preliminary round into the finals, earning an average score from both rooms of 316.75 (the high score was 335). After that that, our chapter tried something new in Fort Scott at the "Breakout" meat judging contest to prep for the district contest in March. Participants evaluated 4 classes of retail cuts (Arm Steaks, Butterfly Chops, Rib Chops and Ribeyes) and answered questions over 2 of them. They also determined quality grades of 6 top loin steaks (NY or KC Strip) and identified 40 cuts of beef, pork, and lamb. Those attending included Cody Williams, Kyle Parker, Hailey Hall, Tagen Carney and Kolby Holcomb.



Next we traveled to the South Central District Food Science Contest in Marion. Congratulations to Karsyn Flores for placing 2nd overall in the Greenhand division out of 142 contestants. Other members competing included Tagen Carney, Kyle Parker, Kolby Holcomb and Hailey Hall. The contest consisted of a multiple choice test, aroma test, a triangle test, and a food safety practicum.

And most recently, our Ag facility hosted the Butler County Fair Beef weigh in on Saturday, February 26th. Exhibitors from across the county brought their projects to Rosalia to have their animals weighed and tagged for the fair in July. In total, around 45 head were ran through the chute that morning. As always follow us on Facebook to see all of our chapter happenings!
-Ryan Beeson



SAFE Sponsored Meme Competition

SAFE sponsored a Vince & Larry meme competition this month. These two characters were popular crash test dummies during the 1980's and were featured in many commercials. The state of Kansas SAFE department was able to get these costumes and loan them out to schools for use in various SAFE activities. We had different activities planned, but school cancellations changed our plans. Instead, pictures were taken of Vince & Larry performing a variety of activities. Staff & students were able to submit their best memes which were then voted on. Which ones are your favorites?

-Michal Austin



Seatbelts Are For Everyone

ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

Flinthills Spelling Bee



Middle School spellers left to right: Keira Poston, Joliene Dragoo, Nilari Cabugo, Garrett Jackson, Jacob Hudson, Coltín Dragoo

Champion - Joliene Dragoo,
Runner Up - Coltín Dragoo



Intermediate spellers left to right: Kendall Jones, Makinsey Waller, Stella Edwards, Jasper Bohnen, Kavin Flores, Aiden Sharp

Intermediate Champion - Aiden Sharp, runner-up Stella Edwards



Flinthills 4-H



4-H Day gives 4-H's an opportunity to tell others about their 4-H projects and demonstrate their talents. A couple of Flinthills 4-H club members participated in 4-H Day which was held at Butler Community College. Kyle Parker performed a snare drum solo of the song "Funkster" and received a purple. Luke Parker presented a project talk on common tools used in leathercraft projects and received a blue.



FHS Drama Department Beef Raffle



2 Drawings for a Quarter of Beef
AND 3 Drawings for \$25 Gift Cards from
Hampton's Restaurant in Eldorado!
Drawings will be on the Evening of 3/12/22 after the
Saturday Night Production of "God's Favorite".

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN!

If you Win, the Beef will be Delivered in May.

Tickets are \$10 each.

Help Support our Flinthills High School
Drama Department!

FLINTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE PRESENTS GOD'S FAVORITE

By Neil Simon

On Friday, March 11th and Saturday, March 12th, FHS Students will perform a comedy about perseverance and determination. The story focuses on Joe Benjamin, a modern day "Job" who is visited by a stranger who really tries Joe's faith through jokes and tests.

Participating students include Cast members: Cael Sorum – Joe, Savannah McCreight – Sidney, Kaily Gilman – Rose, Sydney Sorum – David, Adley Humig – Sarah, Kolton Stanfield – Ben, Madilynn Thomas – Mady, and Callie Cordts – Morris.

Crew members: Backstage Manager – Trena Garcia. Backstage Crew – Emily Scribner, Larrisa Lakin, Kayley Smith, Cali Crossfield, Willow Kane, Philip Harris, Hannah Bailey and Madison Alvord. Sound Master – Conner Sigg, Sound Assistant – Tylan Willard, Light Master – Jonathan McCreight. Lighting Assistant Cody Williams. Props Master – Amanda Brown. Make-up – Philip Harris. House Crew – Kolby Holcomb, Whitney Mantanona, and Alexis Hatvick.

This show is rated PG-13 for brief content. The production will begin at 7:00 with doors opening at 6:30 PM. Tickets are \$7. We hope to see you there!

Beginning at **2 a.m. March 13** (that's this Sunday),



you'll need to set your clocks ahead one hour to 3 a.m. meaning we "spring forward" and lose an hour of sleep.

Art Students Tour Museums



Every year the students who participate in the Scholastic Art Competition are treated to a day of art touring museums around Wichita. We started with a visit to Karg Art Glass in Kechi. While the temperatures were too low for us to be able to watch them blow glass, students did enjoy seeing all the art from artists around the state. Next was a tour of the Wichita Art Museum where an Art Deco show was being held. Students were able to see artwork by artists they had only heard of in the history books. A quick stop at the WSU Student Union food court and we were off to view the exhibit at the Ulrich Museum on campus. Current working artists display a wide variety of work at the Ulrich and often spark interesting discussion as students discuss their thoughts on artwork that is often far different than they've previously encountered. We then drove to Mark Arts where the Scholastic Art Show is on display. "Danica's Cow" by Taylor Sutton is currently on display. We finished our day with a quick stop at the Coutt's Museum of Art in Eldorado and the gift shop next door. This day is always inspirational and motivating for students who have a love and passion for art!

-Michal Austin

Sports News

Flinthills High School Girls Wrestling

Four girls were brave enough to go out for wrestling this year. Seniors, Whitney Mantanona and Mary Spencer, Junior Zara Thomas and Freshman Jasmine Slaughter. The 1st meet of the year was our home meet. Whitney placed 2nd, Zara 5th and Mary 2nd.

The next weekend they traveled to Hesston and wrestled really well finishing 3rd as a team bringing home our 1st girls wrestling trophy. Whitney placed 1st, Zara 3rd, Jasmine 2nd and Mary 3rd.

After Christmas break we missed our next 2 weekends, so we found a make-up tournament at Wichita Heights where we brought home 2 medals. Whitney placed 2nd and Jasmine placed 1st.

After the Heights on Friday, we wrestled at Eureka on Saturday. It was a tough weekend with Whitney placing 4th, Zara 4th, Jasmine 5th, and Mary 3rd. We followed this up with another double header the next weekend.

We again started on Friday night with a tough tournament at Remington with Jasmine placing 1st. We left the Remington gym at 11:30 pm, only to return to the school at 6:00 am to leave for Fredonia.

The Fredonia meet was a tough one with Zara placing 5th, Jasmine 3rd and Mary 4th.

The team traveled to Circle for the final tournament of the year before postseason. Whitney placed 4th and Zara came away with 1st place.

The girls wrestled hard at the Chanute regional but were unable to qualify for the state meet. They showed a great deal of determination as they battled through a very tough, late season tournament schedule.

-Coach Larry Gawith



Undefeated League Champs 16-0!!!!

The Flinthills Middle School Boys' Basketball team finished the season undefeated and claimed the South Central Border League championship with an exciting 34-30 overtime victory win over Cedar Vale / Dexter Middle School in Caldwell, KS.

This season, the Mustangs outscored their opponents by an average of 45-17, and finished with an overall record of 16-0. This marks the first time since 2016 that the Mustang boys have won a championship. This also marks, the first undefeated season since joining the SCBL in 2010.

An undefeated season is no easy accomplishment. It requires discipline, on and off the court, effort, energy, focus, and an unwavering attention to detail. It also takes a team committed to unselfish play and teamwork. This team exemplified all these traits both on and off the court.

These traits were on full display during the championship game as we trailed at half-time 11-17. It is typical for teams that struggle for a half of basketball to waver in the confidence and start making excuses. But not this team. The half-time locker room was focused and determined. They never wavered in the confidence and in each other. The coaches had confidence going into the second half that this team would overcome the deficit and play inspired basketball.

Baseball legend Yogi Berra once coined the phrase in 1973: "It ain't over till it's over." The Mustang boys can certainly agree with this phrase. Having trailed the entire game until the last few minutes of regulation when we tied the game and set the game to overtime. During the overtime season we battled back and forth until we turned up the defense and made two late baskets to tie the game and go ahead by 2. In the final seconds, we put the game away with two key free throws. What a great game!

This year's boys' basketball teams were a blessing to coach. Coach Kemp and myself believe that these young men have a lot of potential. We are excited to see these young men grow into good basketball players but more importantly grow into good young men of integrity and character. This year's team consisted of the following players: Jake Hunter (8th), Levi Beard (8th), Mason Randall (8th), Jaxon Swafford (8th), Isaiah Fulkerson (8th), Hunter Davis (8th), Kaiden Newman (8th), Zack Brown (8th), Talon Scribner (7th), Tripp Carney (7th), Peyton Wight (7th), Kolter Flores (7th), Charles Farris (7th), Garrett Jackson (6th), Braxton Naill (6th), Newell Marsh (6th), Ty Finley (6th), Deken Girty (6th), Aidan Herrman (6th), Kaleb Grunder (6th), Wyatt Dunbar (6th), James Corter (6th), and Coltin Dragoo (6th). This year's managers: Cole Beard and Shawn Kenneson.

Coach Kemp and I would like to thank the parent(s), staff, student body, and middle school cheerleaders for supporting us throughout this year.
-Coach Michael Hunter



Sports News

BOYS WRESTLING ENDS WITH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Two Flinthills wrestlers traveled to Hays to compete in the 321A State championships on February 25th and 26th. Tayler Brown qualified at 195 and Gavin Girty at 220. Brown placed 3rd at regionals and Girty 2nd both were looking to compete for state medals.

The 1st round started with Brown wrestling Wassenberg from Marysville. Brown was down 0-5 when he turned Wassenberg to his back to tie the match at 5 apiece. In the last few seconds Brown was taken down by Wassenberg to lose 5-7.

Girty's 1st round match was against Draxtin Hovis of Plainville. The 1st period ended with Girty up 3-2. In the 2nd period Girty was able to secure the fall at 2:53 mark in the match.

In the Championship quarter finals Girty wrestled Barrett Lietz from Rossville. Lietz also scored an early take down before Girty took over the match and won on a tech fall score of 17-2.

The next match for the Mustangs was Brown in the 1st round of consolation. His opponent Johnathan Temaat of Oakley. Brown again battled from behind and nearly pinned his opponent. Needing a take down late in the match. Brown went for a throw, his grip slipped and he lost by a late fall at the 5:51 mark in match.

Tayler had a great year, he placed 4th at the 3rd at Eureka, 2nd at Re-at Circle.

The last match of the semifinals match of in to the 3rd period Girty and takedown and the match. Burks gets called is tied at 5 at the end of cures a takedown to win 7

The finals match was Girty had a rematch with The two split last year 5th place match at the



season ending with a 21-11 record. Flinthills meet, 1st at Hesston, 2nd at Fredonia, and 4th

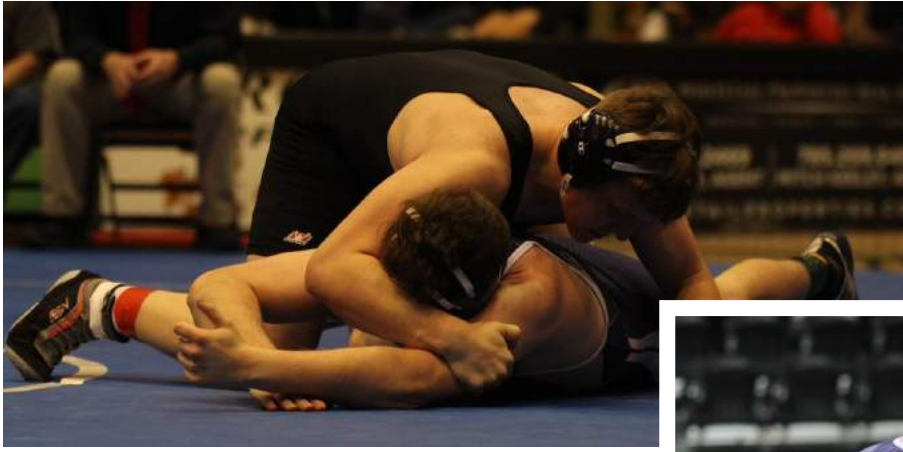
night for the Mustangs was the Burks of Beloit and Girty. Going was down 1-5. A quick escape score is 4-5 with 1:30 to go in the for stalling again and the match regulation. In overtime Girty se-

-5. not one for the faint of heart. Brock Buresh of Phillipsburg. with Girty getting the win in the state meet.

The 1st period ended with a late takedown and near fall points to give Girty the lead 4-0. Something new for him at the state meet. Girty was unable to turn Buresh over in the 2nd period, but he was able to deliver a great deal of punishment to Buresh. In the 3rd period Girty started on the bottom and quickly escaped. A takedown and near fall had Girty up 10-0 with 20 seconds to go in the match. An official's timeout, turned in to a lengthy discussion. A technical violation had been called by the assistant official before the takedown and near fall. 5 points were removed from Girty's score and a point was awarded to Buresh, to make the score 5-1 Girty. The officials also added 20 seconds back to the clock. Girty was unfazed by these events. He quickly took Buresh down and rode him out to secure his 1st State Championship 7-1.

The win gave Girty only the 2nd State title in Flinthills history. The 1st belongs to Mark Johnson in 1984.

-Coach Larry Gawith



Pictures by Hailey Chapman



Sports News

Small in Numbers; Mighty on the Floor

"We ended our season with a solid 3rd place finish in the League Tournament. We also won the East Division! We went 7-1 against our divisional opponents and earned a #1 seed for the East Division. Coach Sangals and I couldn't have asked for a better group of girls. This was a fun group to coach! We are so proud of them and what they did this season! These girls played with grit and determination. They may be small but they were mighty and scrappy out on the court. We went 11-5 this season, with six games being within six points. We won four of those six games. The girls liked to keep the games close to entertain the fans. However, it feels like they were trying to keep Coach and I on our toes. We had one of the best defenses in the league. We consistently held our opponents well below their average points scored per game and many times held them to their season low in points.

We played Central Burden in the 3rd place game for the third time. The first time we played them, we beat them by one! The second time we beat them by 11! Brylee and Katelyn had an impressive game, scoring 16 together. It is awesome to see how much the girls had improved from the first time play-ryone knows how team three times. out in a defense before, a triangle-don't know what a when 3 defenders a triangle in the play man. It is one ments you can get surprise that the man on were lyn. After a tight went into halftime were able to ex-break the defense. completely differ-up winning 31-19, only allowing 6 ond half. With the Brylee and Katelyn, our other players had to step up. They did exactly what they needed to for us to win. It was such a fun and exciting game!

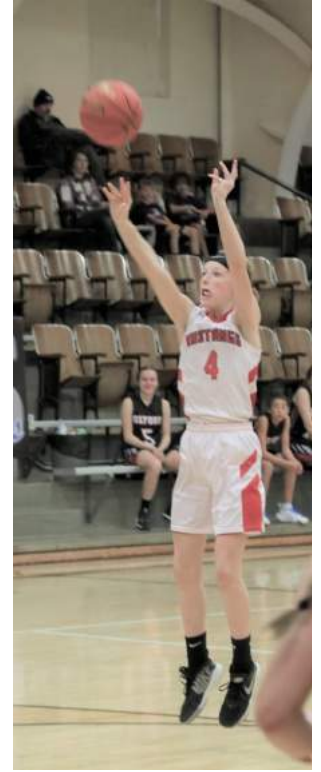


girls had improved from ing them. However, eve-difficult it is to beat a The Central girls came that we had not seen and-two! For those that triangle-and-two is, it is play a zone defense with lane and the other two of the biggest compli-in the game. It was no people they were playing Brylee and Kate-battle with Central, we trailing 10-13, then we plain to the girls how to The second half was a ent game and we ended scoring 21 points and points in the whole sec- other team limiting

We have four players who will return to the middle school team next year. They learned a lot over the season and gained some valuable experience that will make them an asset to the team next year. Our JV went undefeated this year. Our record was 11-0!

This group of girls shows exactly what hard work and determination can accomplish. After the 8th graders graduated last year, many thought that we would finish in the bottom half of the league. We were able to far surpass everyone's expectations and we came one game short of playing in the championship this year as well. We gave South Haven all they could handle in the semifinal game and we were only down 6 points with only 3 minutes left in the game. South Haven ended up winning the league by beating West Elk in the championship game by 17 pts. I would like to thank the girls for playing hard for me this year. You learned so much and I'm excited to see what you do in the future! We would like to thank Dallas Griffith for managing for us! We would also like to thank all the fans that came out to support us throughout the year, parents that provided meals before the games, the cheerleaders, and our bus drivers.

-Coach Ashley"



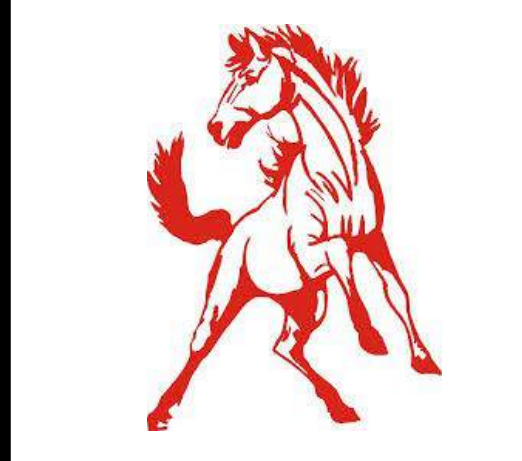
Sports News

High School Girls Have Thrilling Season

The Flinthills high school girls' basketball team has experienced a thrilling season for 2021-22. The girls started off 3-3 before Christmas and then went on a 10-1 run. They placed second in the SCBL tournament to the South Haven Cardinals. The Lady Mustangs finished the season tied for second in the SCBL regular season. They lost the regular season title in the final game of the year in a thrilling overtime loss to South Haven.

The Lady Mustangs advanced to the sub-state semi-finals where they won the first game and were eliminated after a hard fought game in the second round. --Coach Daniel Scribner





Pictures by Melissa Scribner



Snow Volcanoes

Mrs. Casteel's third grade class made SNOW VOLCANOES! In small groups of 3-5 students, each group headed out to the snow covered school yard to explore the reaction of vinegar, baking soda, and dish soap. Using food coloring, for some added fun, the volcano lava colors ranged from blue, lime green, pink, and purple. Science is always cool, but it's even cooler when you incorporate a pile of snow.

-Jenna Casteel



Intermediate Student of the Month

Agnes Leibbrandt


3rd grade

Parents: Joe & Karen Leibbrandt

Hobbies & Activities: Reading and playing with her siblings

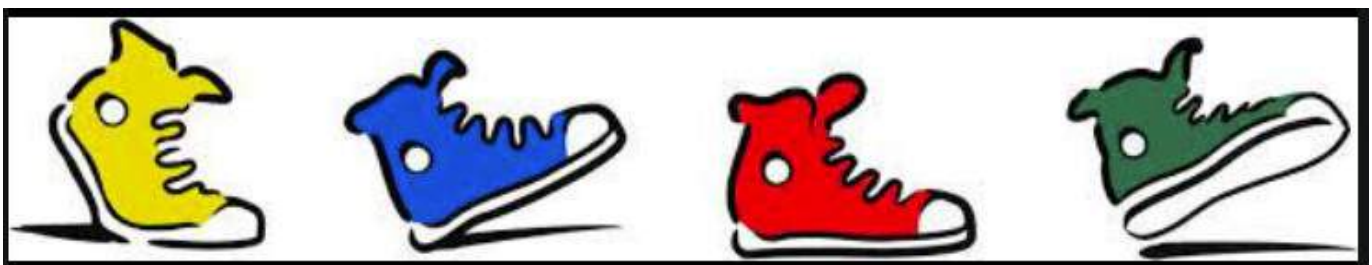
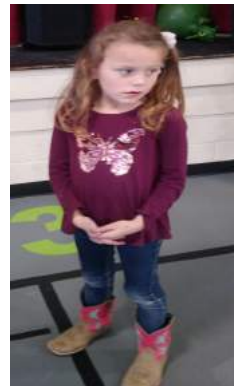
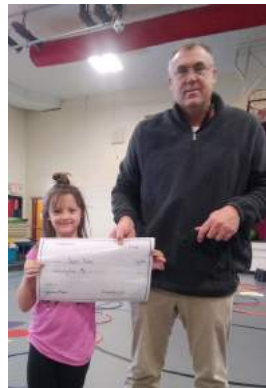
Favorite Class: Math & Art

WALK-A-THON




The Primary building held their annual walk-a-thon on February 23, 2022, @ 2 pm. Our students were challenged by an obstacle course made up of a hoola hoop maze, pool noodle hurdles, under the chair army crawl and a hippity-hop hallway. Each class made their goal and will receive an ice cream sundae party. The big winners for the event were Maxton Lemons collecting the most pledges, followed very closely by Jayci Teter and Madison Poston. A total of over \$2000 was collected for the PTO group which will be used to help fund future activities for our students and teachers. If you donated to this activity we would like to give you many THANKS for supporting our students and teachers!

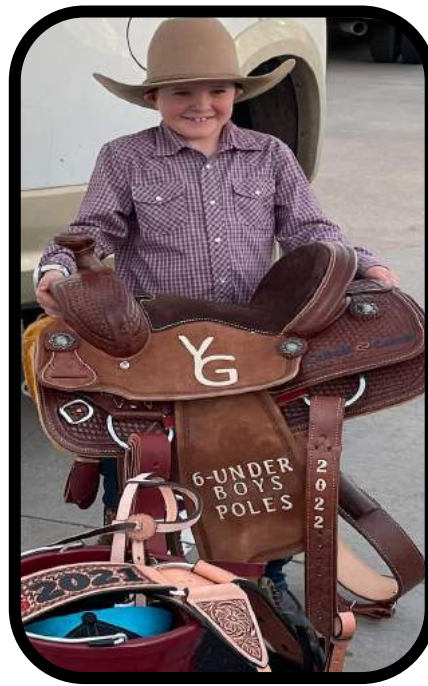
-Michelle Nelson



Young Guns



Mayley Decker proudly showing off her winnings.



Weston Downard showing off his saddle.



Three Flinthills students attended the Young Guns Junior Rodeo in Dodge City, KS the weekend of February 18. They participated in pole bending, barrel racing, dummy roping, and goat tail tying. Our young students are top achievers in their divisions. Great job to Mayley Decker, Weston Downard and Brentley Decker.

WHAT THE RESEARCH SAYS ABOUT SCREENS

Online learning, educational apps, entertainment videos, video games, communication with friends, movies, television, distance therapy, virtual classrooms. It all adds up.



Poor achievement of developmental milestones in communication, motor skills, problem solving, and social skills.



More distracted, less emotional stability, difficulty making friends and inability to finish tasks.



Higher likelihood of inadequate sleep.



Premature cortical thinning of the brain.



Lower scores on thinking and language tests.



Increased depression symptoms, suicide-related outcomes, and suicide rates.

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Brentley Decker



Kendall Jones



Makayla Caravantes



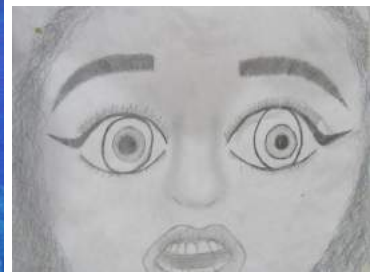
Ellie Kreidler



Stella Edwards



Isidro Alvarez



Rylee Randall

Art Exhibit

The annual Coutts Museum of Art Student Art Exhibit will run from February 12 through March 24. Several Flinthills students from grades 3-8 will be showing their artworks. Flinthills has many talented artists and it is always such a challenge to pick a diverse range of artworks. The museum is located at 110 S. Main in Eldorado. The museum hours are 10:00am – 5:00pm Tuesday through Friday, and 12:00pm-4:00pm on Saturdays.

Admission is free to the public.

_Michal Austin



Emma Anderson



Halstyn Ludwick



Harper Hinde



Rylee Poston

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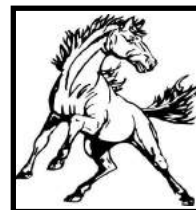
From 8:00-3:00

Come and Go



Every Mustang...Every Year!

- ◆ We will offer a free breakfast or lunch for each aspiring kindergartener or pre-k student and their parents.
- ◆ Breakfast will be served from 8:15-8:30 and lunch will be between 11:15-11:50.
- ◆ If you come for breakfast, you will be able to join the students in their morning pledges! Watching is okay too, but you do **NOT** want to miss this very special part of the day.
- ◆ Please, if you plan on attending any part of our day, call the office so we can get you a packet in the mail detailing why Flinthills will be a perfect fit for you and your child!
 Flinthills Primary 620-735-4428



Have your child be a part of all the greatness Flinthills has to offer! Check out our Flyer, and the Primary's Morning Pledge on our website at usd492.org.

Our speech language pathologist will be in attendance to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

100 Days of School!



The Kindergarten class celebrated the 100th day of school on Monday, February 7th. They did 100 exercises, colored a pizza with 100 toppings and counted each topping, and drew a picture of themselves if they were 100 years old!
-Halley Myrick

Mixed Up Monday



Some of the fifth grade class really enjoyed Mixed-up Monday as part of the Read Across America celebration.

This year Read Across America, celebrating the birthday of Dr. Seuss, is February 28th thru March 4th. The Primary and Intermediate students will be celebrating that week culminating on March 9th during our late start activities. A detailed article will be in the next issue of the Flyer.

FHTC Students Visit FPS

February is dental health month. To celebrate it, three dental assisting students from Flinthills Technical College came and gave proper home care instructions to the students thru the aid of some colorful puppets. Simple home care instructions like brushing your teeth twice daily, eat a healthy diet and limit the amount of sweets you eat were given. Once the instructions were given, the students actually got to use a giant toothbrush and brush the teeth of the stuffies. The puppets were a student favorite. Flinthills Technical Students also gave each of our students a dental health packet consisting of a new toothbrush, toothpaste and floss. Thank you FHTC!

-Michelle Nelson



2nd grade escapades

Second grade has been very busy since January with projects consisting of traditional New Years Resolutions, Chinese Lanterns for the New Year, volcanic action in science, the 100th day of school, dental health month, Valentine's Day Parties, contraction surgery, walkathon and lots of indoor recess time due to the weather. Students used Venn Diagrams to compare and contrast the Chinese and USA, New Years. Each student wrote their own New Years Resolution, some of them with heartfelt goals. Learning in groups the students built and studied about volcanoes and had fun watching them erupt. Individual personalities came out on 100 day. Students then were given proper oral hygiene instructions by the Flinthills Technical College Students just in time for Valentine's Day Parties. Second grade then used a hands on experience to learn about contraction words. "Surgery" aka blending two words as is and not to make the word "isn't". The month ended with our annual walkathon on February 23. Second grade did receive an ice cream sundae party partly in thanks to our big winner Maxton Lemons. All of this work required some down time and we found ourselves spending a lot of time inside at recess. -Amanda Dragoo



100th Day of School

We celebrated the 100th day of school by using the number 100 to make different things like glasses, pictures, necklaces, puzzles, and color by number. We want to thank parents for sending in food so we could make a 100 snack.



Valentine's Day

We celebrated Valentine's by creating pictures, completing crosswords, and coloring pictures. We want to thank parents for being in charge of the party. We had so much fun.

Dental Health

We had students from Flinthills Technical College that are completing courses to become a dental assistant. They taught students about the importance of brushing their teeth.



Snow Ice Cream

Mrs. Nelson saved us some snow from the snow storm so we could make ice cream out of it.

Page by Dianna Brashier





March



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Meals are subject to change.</p> <p>This is equal opportunity provider and employer.</p>	<p>1 BREAKFAST: Breakfast Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Lasagna Peas Fresh Carrots Sliced Pears W.G. Breadstick Milk</p>	<p>2 BREAKFAST: Mini Loaf, Combo Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Cauliflower Mandarin Oranges W.G. Rolls Milk</p>	<p>3 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken & Cheese Crispitos Corn Green Beans Rosy Applesauce Fruit Roll-Up Milk</p>	<p>4 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Pork Rib Patty on Bun Tater Tots Broccoli & Cheese Pickles & Onions Sliced Pineapple Milk</p>
<p>7 BREAKFAST: Mini Cinni's, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Fajitas on Flour Tortilla Corn Lettuce & Tomato Peppers & Onions Salsa Applesauce Milk</p>	<p>8 BREAKFAST: Red Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Brown Gravy Mixed Vegetables Sliced Peaches W.G. Rolls Milk</p>	<p>9 BREAKFAST: Ubr Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza Steamed Carrots Green Beans Whole Apple Milk</p>	<p>10 BREAKFAST: Breakfast Bites, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Sausage Links Tater Tots Cream Gravy Vegetable Juice Mandarin Oranges Biscuit Milk</p>	<p>11</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>
<p>14</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>15</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>16</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>17</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>18</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>
<p>21 BREAKFAST: Cereal, PopTart, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Quesadilla Corn California Blend Veggies Applesauce Mandarin Oranges Fruit Roll-Up Milk</p>	<p>22 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans Fresh Carrots Pretzel & Cheese Sliced Peaches Milk</p>	<p>23 BREAKFAST: White Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Breaded Chicken Patty on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Baked Beans Sliced Pears Milk</p>	<p>24 BREAKFAST: Grape Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Mini Corn Dogs Broccoli & Cheese Fresh Celery & Peanut Butter Vegetable Juice Pineapple Tidbits Goldfish Crackers Milk</p>	<p>25 BREAKFAST: Breakfast Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Steamed Carrots Fruit Cocktail W.G. Rolls Milk</p>
<p>28 BREAKFAST: Combo Bar, Mini Loaf, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Applesauce W.G. Rolls Milk</p>	<p>29 BREAKFAST: Breakfast Bites, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Hamburger on Bun Baked Beans French Fries Onion/Tomatoes/Pickles Sliced Peaches Cookie Milk</p>	<p>30 BREAKFAST: Mini Cinni's, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Cauliflower Sliced Pears Biscuit Milk</p>	<p>31 BREAKFAST: Ubr Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>LUNCH: Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza Corn Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk</p>	

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 A	2 B SCBL Meeting	3 C HS Music Festival @ Cowley 8:00 MS WR @ Douglass 4:00	4 A FFA @ Manhattan MS WR @ Cottonwood Falls 4:00	5 Basketball Sub-State
6	7 B MS WR @ Howard 5:30 BOE @ Cassoday 7:00	8 C HS Community Service Day MS Math Relays @ Caldwell 4:45	9 A Staff Development 7:40—9:40 Student Late Start 10:00 Basketball State MS Music Festival @ Cowley 8:00	10 B	11 NO SCHOOL Work Day 1/2 Spring Theatre Production 7:00	12 Spring Theatre Production 7:00 Basketball State
13 Daylight Savings Time Starts	14 Spring Break	15 Spring Break	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break	18 Spring Break	19
20	21 C	22 A	23 B School Spring Pictures—Cassoday 8:00 Rosalia 10:00 FFA @ Ark City	24 C	25 A NO Kindergarten PreK/Kindergarten Roundup FFA @ Fort Scott	26 Prom
27	28 B SB @ South Haven 4:00 JV BB vs. South Haven 4:30	29 C SCBL HS Math Relays @ Flinthills 4:45 MS TR @ Burden 1:30	30 A TSA State FFA @ McPherson	31 B TSA State BB/SB vs. Bluestem 4:30		

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