

Labette County U.S.D. 506



April 13, 2015 Board Meeting

AGENDA

Monday, April 13, 2015, 7:00 PM

Meadow View Grade School, Parsons, Kansas

Our mission is to provide a positive learning environment where all students develop: skills to live and work in a progressive world, a positive work ethic, a sense of individual worth, pride in citizenship, and a life-long desire for learning.

Our vision is to be recognized and respected as one of the premier public school systems in Kansas.

Agenda – Regular Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to order

2. Recognition of Visitors and Public Comments

The board president will recognize visitors at this time. The board may allow public comments during this time. Public comments will be kept to a maximum of 5-minutes unless stated by the board president.

3. Approval of Printed Agenda

At this time Board members may (1) accept the agenda as shown below, (2) add items, or (3) request that one or more “Consent Agenda Items” be placed under “Action, information, discussion, or executive session for separate consideration.

4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1 Approval of March 9, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes
- 4.2 Approval of April 2015 bills, Investments, and Activity Fund Report
- 4.3 Approval to Amend the 2014-2015 General Fund Budget
- 4.4 Approval of April 2015 Substitute Employee List:
 - Mark Stauffer
- 4.5 Approval of Resignations:
 - Lori Green/LCHS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach
 - Stephanie Moore/Bartlett Grade School Teacher
 - Steve Odaffer/ Mound Valley Head Track Coach
 - Matt Shields/Head High School Wrestling Coach
- 4.6 Approval of Licensed Teacher Retirement:
 - Debbie Hucke/Mound Valley Grade School Teacher
- 4.7 Approval of Classified Employee(s) Retirement:
 - Marjorie Sloan/LCHS Cook
- 4.8 Approval of Personnel:
 - Matt Shields/Assistant High School Golf Coach
 - Ed Raschen/Assistant Track Coach at Altamont Grade School
 - Billie Hedrick/Assistant Track Coach at Meadow View Grade School

5. Reports

- 5.1 Superintendent
- 5.2 Building Administrators
- 5.3 KASB/Legislative
- 5.4 SEK Interlocal #637

6. Information/Discussion Items

- 6.1 Preschool Fees (I/D)

7. Action Items

- 7.1 Adoption of Revisions to Student Handbook (A)
- 7.2 Adoption of 2015-2016 District Calendar (A)
- 7.3 Approval to Purchase School Bus (A)

8. Executive Session

- 8.1 For the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to personnel.
- 8.2 For the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to negotiations.

9. Additional Business as a result of Executive Session

10. Board Member Comments

11. Adjournment

- 11.1 Next Regular Meeting: May 11, 2015 at District Office in Altamont, Kansas

Supplemental Agenda
Board of Education
Monday, April 13, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.
Meadow View Grade School

1. Call to Order:

The board president will call the meeting to order for business.

2. Recognition of Visitors and Public Comments:

The board president will recognize visitors at this time. The board may allow public comments during this time. Public comments will be kept to a maximum of 5-minutes unless stated by the board president.

3. Approval of Printed Agenda:

At this time Board member may accept the agenda as shown below; add items to the agenda, or request that one or more "Consent Agenda Items" be place under "Action, information, discussion, or executive session for separate consideration."

4. Adoption of the Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda is a method whereby the board, with one motion, may approve (by consent) items on the agenda, which are routine, informational, or the receipt of reports, which may not need discussion. This procedure assumes each board member has read and studied the agenda prior to the meeting. Furthermore, at this time the Board may request that one or more consent agenda items be placed under action, information, or discussion for separate consideration. *The motion should read- I move the board approve by consent, items in the agenda, which are identified as 4.1-4.8.*

- 4.1 Approval of March 9, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes (pgs. 9-12)
- 4.2 Approval of April bills, investments, and Activity Fund Report (pgs. 70-87)
- 4.3 Approval to Amend the 2014-2015 General Fund Budget (p.13)
- 4.4 Approval of April 2015 Substitute Employee List (p.14)
 - a. Mark Stauffer
- 4.5 Approval of Resignations (pgs.15)
 - a. Lori Green/LCHS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach
 - b. Stephanie Moore/Bartlett Grade School Teacher
 - c. Steve Odaffer/Mound Valley Head Track Coach
 - d. Matt Shields/Head High School Wrestling Coach
- 4.6 Approval of Licensed Teacher Retirement (p.16)
 - a. Debbie Huckle/Mound Valley Grade School Teacher
- 4.7 Approval of Classified Employee(s) Retirement (p.16)
 - a. Marjorie Sloan/LCHS Cook
- 4.8 Approval of Personnel (p.17)
 - a. Matt Shields/Assistant High School Golf Coach
 - b. Ed Raschen/Assistant Track Coach at Altamont Grade School

c. Billie Hedrick/Assistant Track Coach at Meadow View Grade School

5. Reports:

- 5.1 Superintendent- Dr. Wyrick will share his report with the board at the scheduled meeting.
- 5.2 Building Administrators- See enclosed reports on pages 24-51.
- 5.3 KASB- Gail Billman will share her report with the board at the scheduled meeting.
- 5.4 SEK Interlocal #637- Dr. Dennis Wilson will share his report with the board at the scheduled meeting.

6. Information/Discussion Items:

6.1 Preschool Fees for 2015-2016:

Our district currently charges \$60.00 per month for children to attend USD 506 ran and operated preschools that are full pay and \$30.00 per month for those families on partial pay. Costs to operate district ran preschools continue to increase while funding for our school district will decrease over the next two years. The administration would like for the board of education to consider revising fees for preschool aged children. Dr. Wyrick recommends increasing our current fee structure as presented below (I/D):

<u>Current Fees</u>	<u>Proposed Fees</u>
\$60.00	\$80.00
\$30.00	\$40.00

7. Action Items-

7.1 Adoption of Revisions to Student Handbooks:

As noted at the BOE on 03.09.2015, the board was given copies of the proposed recommendations for the high school and grade schools. These recommendations were for the board to consider, review, and ponder. These changes were recommendations from the building principals. The Board of Education will be asked to approve the recommended changes as presented during our March 09, 2015 meeting. (A)

7.2 Adoption of 2015-2016 District Calendar:

Included within your packet are Calendar Draft A and Calendar Draft B. The administration and LCTA committee have reviewed both options. The administration will have a recommendation for the board during our meeting. Dr. Wyrick will ask the board to approve one of the two draft calendars. (A) pages 52-53.

7.3 Approval to Purchase School Bus:

The operational status of district-owned vehicles is under frequent administrative

review. Dr. Wyrick and Chris Hanson provided each vehicle's summary details (make/model; purchase date; mileage; average miles per year; and tentative replacement year) during our April 2014 board of education meeting. They noted the importance of scheduling vehicle purchases regularly in order to avoid severe impacts to the district's budget. Dr. Wyrick and Mr. Hanson have been in constant contact with companies over the course of the 2015 school year to secure bids for the Board of Education to consider. Enclosed within your packet are two bids. Bid #1 is from Midwest Transit Equipment and Bid #2 is from Midwest Bus Sales. Dr. Wyrick and Mr. Hanson will ask the board to approve the purchase from Midwest Transit Equipment as presented. (A)
pages 54-69.

8. Executive Session-

8.1 Personnel:

At this time the board may need to go into executive session to discuss personnel.

8.2 Negotiations:

At this time the board may need to go into executive session to discuss negotiations.

9. Additional Business as result of Executive Session-

Action as a result of executive session may take place at this time.

10. Board Member Comments-

Individual board members are encouraged to share stories of success and opportunities for growth at this time.

11. Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Next Regular meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2015 at the District Office in Altamont, Kansas.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
LABETTE COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 506
Altamont, KS 67330

Bartlett Grade School

March 9, 2015

7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Justin Bebb

Gail Billman

Rich Falkenstien

Jessie Foister

Dr. Kolette Smith

Dr. Dennis Wilson

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. Wyrick, Superintendent

Cindy Dean, Board Clerk

Marty Anderson, LCHS Principal

Linda Carland, BGS Teacher

Kevin Cole, Parent

Nancy Hahn, BGS Teacher

Chris Kastler, Meadow View Principal

Melinda Littrell, BGS Teacher

Steve Odaffer, BGS Teacher

Tim Traxson, BGS/EGS Principal

Becky Wiley, BGS Teacher

Nancy Wyckoff, BGS Teacher

1. Dr. Kolette Smith called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.
2. There were no visitors who desired to address the board during the recognition of visitors.
3. Gail Billman moved to approve the printed agenda. Jessie Foister seconded, motion carried 6-0.
4. Consent Agenda Items
Gail Billman moved to approved the consent agenda. Justin Bebb seconded, motion carried 6-0.

5. Reports

5.1 Superintendent Report

Dr. Wyrick reported that Tuesday, May 5, 2015 is Teacher Appreciation Day. Gail Billman and Justin Bebb are board representatives for public relations and will organize the appreciation day. The USD 506 Excellence in Education Award Ceremony was held at the high school March 6, 2015. The Education Award Recipients were Ed Green, Tammy Hayward and Mike Starr. Years of Service pins were also presented to staff members. Pictures of all Award Recipients will be displayed in the USD 506 Board Room. 2015-2016 School Calendar options will be shared with administration, staff and committee members this month. Dr. Wyrick will ask the board to approve their top calendar choice at the April board meeting.

Spring sports practice has began and the participation numbers are good. Dr. Wyrick reported that the Lady Grizzlies have qualified to play in the State Basketball Tournament this week and is very proud of the team. The Lady Grizzlies will represent our school district well. Congratulations to the girls!

The current school finance formula has been eliminated and Legislative officials have released a new formula. In this new formula Governor Brownback has all ready cut our 2014-2015 General State Aid \$83,998 and has presented a plan to cut our 2014-2015 Capitol Outlay and LOB. Total reduction for this current school year is \$133,775 that we will lose. This temporary plan will continue with cuts for the next two years and have no idea what will happen thereafter.

5.2 Building Administrators

No report at this time

5.3 KASB/Legislative

Gail Billman reported the Legislative proposal for schools to move School Board elections to the fall is the big topic right now. Gail mentioned that all schools should remain with elections in the spring and not to bring new School Board Members into their positions in the middle of a fiscal year. Gail reported the Legislature is urging the State Board to change seclusion, restraint regulations.

5.4 SEK Interlocal

Dr. Wyrick reported the current projected deficit at the end of the 2014-2015 school year will be \$294,831 with a 1% increase to local contributions.

Dr. Kolette Smith mentioned that she not be able to be Dr. Wilsons replacement when he is unable to attend SEK Interlocal meetings. Dr. Kolette Smith respectfully requested another representative to take her place.

6. Information and Discussion Items

6.1 Chris Kastler proposed the Meadow View Enrichment Opportunity for the

2015-2016 school year. This opportunity is to provide additional math support to those students struggling in math. LCHS Instructor Mr. Scott Carson will teach the 2-hours MTSS Tier III class at Meadow View for the 2015-2016 school year. Identified students who need Tier III intervention for math will take this class. The plan is to pilot the class at Meadow View and if it successful implement the class in our K-8 facilities in the future.

- 6.2 2015-2016 Student Handbook recommendations are available in the packet for board members to review and consider. Highlighted items are changes recommended by principals. The board will take action on Student Handbooks at the April board meeting.

7. Action Items

- 7.1 Nancy Wyckoff and Melinda Littrell presented a Bartlett Grade School trip to the board. The trip is planned for May 5-6 and will be a great opportunity for students to gain knowledge on several wildlife parks and State Parks in Kansas and Oklahoma. The only cost to the district will be fuel expense and bus driver wages. Approximately 85 students and 14 staff members are planned to go on trip. Rich Falkenstien made a motion to approve the trip. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

8. Executive Session

- 8.1. Jessie Foister moved the board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel; and the board will return to the open meeting at 8:25 p.m. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Gail Billman moved to extend the executive session to 8:35 p.m. Kolette Smith seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Rich Falkenstien moved to extend the executive session to 8:45 p.m. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

No action taken as a result of executive session.

Rich Falkenstien moved the board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel; and the board will return to the open meeting at 9:00 p.m. Justin Bebb seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Justin Bebb moved to extend the executive session to 9:05 p.m. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Rich Falkenstien moved the board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel; and the board will return to the open meeting at 9:40 p.m. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Kolette Smith moved to extend the executive session to 10:00 p.m. Gail Billman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Justin Bebb moved to extend the executive session to 10:10 p.m. Rich Falkenstien seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Gail Billman moved to extend the executives session to 10:15 p.m. Rich Falkenstien seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

9. Executive Session Action

Gail Billman moved to extend all principal contracts through the 2015-2016 school year. Jessie Foister seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Gail Billman moved to approve Dr. John Wyrick's contract through the 2016-2017 school year. Jessie Foister seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

10. Board Comments

Justin Bebb said it was a good experience to help out with the Excellence in Education Awards Ceremony.

Dennis Wilson commended Dr. Wyrick and the Parsons Sun for the great LCHS Lady Grizzly State Basketball coverage.

Gail Billman is amazed of the positive atmosphere that our students get to experience here at USD 506!

Dr. Smith reminded everyone should go out and vote in April. The LCHS Theater Production back in February was awesome. Heather Wilson does a wonderful job and has pure dedication to her work! Thanked Matt Atteberry from the Labette Center for Mental Health for the nice note he sent the board about our school district.

Jessie Foister was glad to help and be part of the Excellence in Education Awards Ceremony. Proud of both LCHS Girls and Boys Basketball teams on a great season!

Rich Falkenstien thanked Bartlett Grade School Staff for the wonderful snacks for meeting and everything they do for our students.

11. Adjournment

Jessie Foister moved to adjourn the meeting. Justin Bebb seconded the Motion. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m. The next Regular Board Meeting will be: April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Meadow View Grade School.

AMENDMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Budget amendments as authorized by K.S.A. 79-2929a are permitted to increase the original budget for "... previously unbudgeted increases in revenue other than ad valorem property taxes."

K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 79-2929a(b)... "Beginning in 2009, all such budget information shall be filed electronically with the county clerk and with the director of accounts and reports."

AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

Publish the Notice of Hearing on Amending the 2014-15 Budget, see form below. Include only those funds being amended. At least ten days must elapse between Steps 1 and 2.

1. Hold the hearing on amending the budget as scheduled in Step 1.
2. Electronically file the following amended budget forms with the County Clerk and the State Department of Education (School Finance):
 - Certificate page (Code 01)
 - Individual fund budget for each fund being amended
 - Notice of Hearing (Code 99)
 - Proof of Publication

Before amending the budget, be sure it is necessary. Certain revenue is exempt from the budget law. Also, remember that a budget cannot be amended after the year is completed. We recommend that an explanation be included in the heading so taxpayers understand why an amendment is necessary.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDING THE 2014-15 BUDGET

The governing body of USD 506 will meet on the 11 day of May, 2015 at 6:50 p.m., at District Office, Altamont, KS for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at 401 S. High School St., Altamont, KS and will be available at this hearing.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Fund	Adopted Budget 2014-15			Proposed Amendment 2014-15 Budget
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax to be Levied	Expenditures And Transfers	Expenditures and Transfers
General Fund	20	909,070	9,785,236	9,938,930

Cindy Dean
Clerk



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To: Board of Education
From: Alicia Hill
RE: Substitute Employee List
Date: April 13, 2015

Recommended substitute employee list presented during the March 2015 board of education meeting is as follows:

Sub Teacher
Mark Stauffer

Sub Cook
None at this time

Sub Bus Driver
None at this time

Sub Custodian/Maintenance
None at this time



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TO: Board of Education
FROM: John Wyrick, Superintendent
RE: Classified/Certified/and Supplemental Resignations
Date: April 13, 2015

Resignations

Stephanie Moore	Bartlett Grade School Teacher	Effective 05.18.2015
Lori Green	LCHS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach	Effective 05.18.2015
Steve Odaffer	Mound Valley Head Track Coach	Effective 03.23.2015
Matt Shields	Head High School Wrestling Coach	Effective 05.18.2015



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TO: Board of Education
FROM: John Wyrick, Superintendent
RE: Classified and Certified Retirements
Date: April 13, 2015

Retirements:

Marjorie Sloan	Labette County High School Cook	Effective 05.18.2015
Debbie Huckle	Mound Valley Grade School Teacher	Effective 05.18.2015



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TO: Board of Education
FROM: John Wyrick, Superintendent
RE: Classified/Supplemental Employment Report
Date: April 13, 2015

Work Agreement

Matt Shields/Assistant High School Golf Coach	Effective 03.16.2015
Billie Hedrick/Assistant Track Coach at Meadow View Grade School	Effective 03.16.2015
Ed Raschen/Assistant Track Coach at Altamont Grade School	Effective 03.16.2015


April 2nd, 2015

Dear Dr. Wyrick, Mr. Holtzman,
and the USD 506 Board of Education,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as the freshman girls' basketball coach this past year. I am writing to formally notify you that I am going to resign from this position. I appreciate everything that you have done to support me professionally.

Please accept my apologies for only holding this position for one year, but it is in my best interest not to continue.

Sincerely,


Lori Green

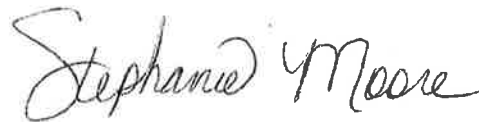
March 10, 2015

Dear Board of Education,

This letter is to inform you that this will be my last year teaching. I have loved teaching for this district, but after much thought and planning, my husband and I have decided that it will be best for our growing farm family for me to stay home with our babies.

I appreciate the opportunity to spend the last five years teaching students of this wonderful district. I still plan on substituting next year. Thank you again for all you've done for me and my family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie Moore". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Stephanie Moore

3/24/15

To Mr. Holtzman and Concerned Parties Involved:

It is with sincere gratitude that I offer my resignation as head wrestling coach of Labette County High School. The sport of wrestling has always been one of the defining aspects in my life. The opportunity to share my passion for this sport, and to help foster the love for it to the great student athletes of LCHS, has been an honor.

This difficult decision comes as a result of my wife, Jene', and I being blessed with the birth of our son, Cooper, seventeen months ago. Being a father has made me reevaluate my priorities. Leading a successful wrestling team requires numerous hours of dedication. I have invested heavily in the program for several years, and have always been willing to make the necessary sacrifices involved with being a head coach. However, at this time in my life, I feel that the best investment I can make with my time is to spend it with my family.

As in the past, I still continue to be committed to the betterment of the Grizzly Wrestling program, and I am willing to be involved in other areas, as time allows. An example of this would be implementing a wrestling program at the junior high level. Even with its season being shorter, I feel that the lack of a program at this level has been an obstacle in reaching our true competitive potential and has been a detriment to our success in the SEK. Therefore, it would be my pleasure to be involved at the foundational level of starting a brand new junior high program.

At this time, I would like to thank my administration for their continued support and for trusting me with the opportunity to be part of the great tradition of Grizzly Wrestling.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Matt Shields', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Matt Shields

March 31, 2015

Melissa Green
Principal, Mound Valley Grade School
402 Walnut
Mound Valley, KS 67354

Dear Mrs. Green,

Please accept this letter as my official resignation as the third grade teacher at Mound Valley Grade School. I wish to retire at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

I will always cherish my time as part of the USD 506 teaching staff. I have especially enjoyed being part of the Mound Valley team. They are truly the greatest. I have made many lasting friendships and have a lot of great memories, but feel it is time to move on to the next phase in my life.

Sincerely,

Debbie Hucke

On May 15, 2105 I will be retiring from USD 506 as a asst. cook at Labette
County High School.

Marjorie L. Shan

This letter is to let Board of 506 District to
know that Steve Odaffer has resigned from the
Head Track Coach at Mound Valley.

Steve Odaffer 3-23-15

Altamont Grade Administrative Report
Board of Education Meeting
April 2015

Building Management

- Fire Drill held
- Tornado Drill held
- Supervise lunchroom
- Weekly Events emailed to all staff
- Custodial schedule accommodates clean-up from evening events
- Letters home to parents concerning fees
- Review custodial summer work schedule, days off, etc.
- Summer cleaning schedule reviewed
- Determine classrooms used for summer school
- Inventories out to staff; all coop orders turned in

Educational Leadership

- Placement and annual IEP Meetings held as required
- Review of candidate applications for teaching/counselor positions for 2015-2016; Interviews held as needed
- Summer School Information out with recommendations concerning student needs
- Summer School program
- Mentoring meeting held at AGS for district teachers
- Educational field trips (science, Earth Day, Greenbush, etc.)
- KSA Testing for reading, math, science, and social studies continues
- Walk-through continue;
- SIT Mtg. held
- School-wide Annual Review held
- April Building Newsletter sent out to all parents
- After school tutoring in place for fourth nine weeks
- Staff meetings held
- PK Screening held on April 24th
- KRR leadership meetings held for MTSS
- Scoring training for State assessments scheduled

Activities

- Track Meets held through-out the month
- Solo Program for those students participating at PSU – LT on April 15th at 7:00
- PSU Music Festival – April 18
- Music Concert for grades PK-8 on April 21 @ HA - 7:00
- April 15th – 4th Grade to Bartlett Science Day
- April 21 – 4th Grade to Earth Day at Parsons
- 506 Invitational Track Meet – April 7 @ 1:30
- 506 League Track Meet – April 23 @ 2:30
- Cheerleader Tryouts – April 24

Glenda Aikins

AGS EAGLE NEWS

April 2015

Safety Concern

ATTENTION: When picking up students, delivering messages, etc. the school will contact the classroom while parents are to wait in the hallway outside the office door until their child arrives from the classroom. Parents are not to wait outside the classroom to pick up their child. Non-school personnel arriving at the door of a classroom is an interruption for the whole class and a potential safety issue. PK parents may wait outside the office door or the southwest exit until their child is brought out.

Thank You!

I would like to thank the parents for your continued support of our school! Activities sponsored by the PTO this school year include: Fun Night, Book Fair, supporting our athletic program, library books, recess equipment, meals for the teachers at conferences, skating unit, Family Skate Night, Box Top parties, student rewards, Geography Bee, field trips, learning projects, etc.

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE NEXT PTO MEETING ON APRIL 9TH AT 7:00! Parent and teacher involvement is needed and appreciated!

AGS SPRING CONCERTS

The Altamont Grade School students and staff would like to invite everyone to attend two evenings dedicated to the musical talent of our students, April 8th for PSU competitors, and April 21st for the PK-8 Spring Concert. The Solo and Small Ensemble Program is held in the Little Theater in the main building at the high school at 7:00 on April 8th. The PK - 8 Spring Concert is held at Harrison Auditorium on April 21st at 7:00. Students should arrive at the auditorium by 6:45 and they should wear their "Sunday best".

2015 Track Meet Schedule

April 7	506 Invitational	1:30
April 9	Riverton	2:00
April 14	Iola	10:00
April 16	Girard	2:00
April 20	Columbus	1:00
April 23	506 League	2:30

GO EAGLES!

2015-2016 Pre-School Screening

Please help! If you know of a child who may be eligible to attend the 2015-2016 AGS Preschool, please have the parent contact the school at 784-5511 to make an appointment to attend the screening held on April 24th. Children must be 3 years old.

AGS at State Geography Bee

Congratulations to Kyle Harris, AGS eighth grader, whose score on a test earned him a trip to the State Geography Bee held in Abilene, KS on March 27th. One hundred students participated in the state bee in Abilene. They were selected based on the written tests they submitted after winning their local school bees.

Kyle answered seven out of eight questions correctly in the first round of the event, which advanced him to a preliminary round. Seventeen participants competed for one spot left open in the final level. Kyle did not make it to the final level, but finished in the top 25% of the competitors! Kyle is the son of Laura Harris.

April Events

April 2	Easter Parties 2:30
April 3 & 6	NO SCHOOL
April 8	AGS Concert Solo's & Small Group 7:00 LCHS Little Theater
April 9	PTO 7:00
April 14	District Site Council Mtg. 6:00
April 15	4 th Gr. Science Day @ Bartlett
April 18	PSU Music Festival
April 21	AGS Spring Concert PreK-8, 7:00 @ Harrison Auditorium
April 21	Earth Day 4 th Gr. @ Parsons
April 24	AGS PK Screening for 2015-2016; NO Pre-School classes held at AGS
April 30	PTO 7:00
MAY 1	8 TH Gr. Banquet 6:30 @ LCHS

Notice of Non-Discrimination

The school district of Labette County USD 506 does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries or complaints regarding the nondiscrimination policies, including requests for accommodations or access to District buildings and programs.

Complaints in regard to Discrimination

Discrimination against any student or employee on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion in the admission or access to or treatment in the districts programs or activities is prohibited. The Superintendent of Schools, PO Box 189, Altamont, Kansas 67330-0188, 620-784-5326, has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Americans with Disability Act of 1990. Superintendent of Schools, 401 S High School Street, PO Box 189, Altamont, KS 67330, 620-784-5326, 620-724-6280 (telecommunications device for the deaf), 620-328-3121 (speech impaired), jwyrick@usd506.org.

Altamont Grade April 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 2nd Gr. to Greenbush;	2 Easter Parties @ 2:30;	3 NO SCHOOL, P/T Comp. Day; Good Friday	4
5 Easter	6 NO SCHOOL	7 506 Inv. 1:30;	8 AGS Solo Program 7:00 in Little Theatre;	9 Riverfon Meet 2:00; PTO Mtg. @ 7:00;	10	11
12	13 BOE Mtg. 7:00	14 District Site Council 6:00 @ LCHS; Lola Meet;	15 4th Gr. Sci. Day @ Bartlett;	16 Girard Meet 2:00;	17	18 PSU Music Festival
19	20 Columbus Meet 1:00;	21 AGS Spring Program 7:00; 4th Gr. Earth Day	22 5th Gr. to Greenbush;	23 506 League Meet 3:30; Mentoring Mtg. @ AGS 8 - 3;	24 PK Screening; No PK classes; 6th Gr. to PSU; Cheer Tryouts;	25
26	27 SIT Mtg. & SWP Review	28	29	30 PTO Mtg. @ 7:00;	MAY 1 - 8th Gr. Banquet @ LCHS 6:30;	

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Board Meeting Report for Bartlett and Edna
April 13, 2015

- **Educational Leadership**

1. Conducted all staff in-formal Observations for the month of March
2. Discussed 2 new "Habits of the Mind" with students in both schools.
3. Held monthly staff meeting
4. Attended 12 IEP Meetings between both schools
5. Sent home positive notes to my March Students of the Month in both schools.
6. Started this year's state assessment test in both buildings. Ran off test tickets and monitored students that needed reactivated due to testing issues.

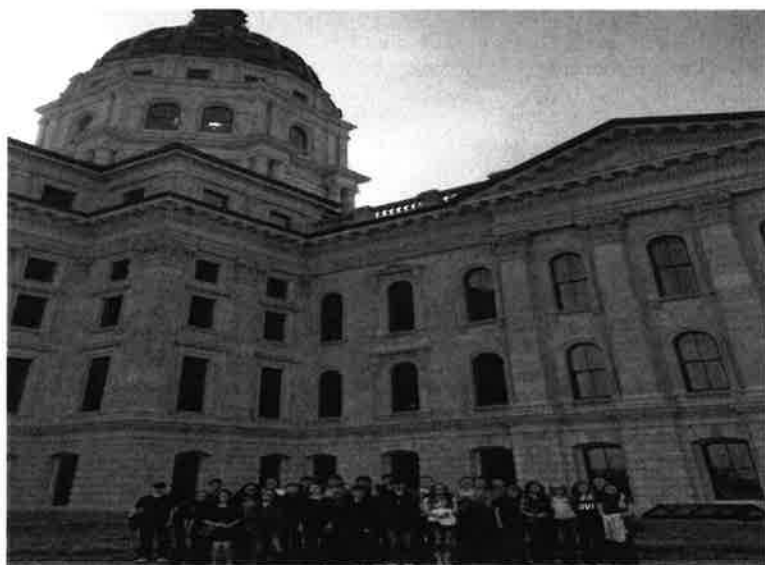
- **Building Management**

1. We are pleased to announce Edna Elementary School has been approved for a grant of \$2,000.00 from the Parsons Area Community Foundation. This will allow 5 more I Pads for Mrs. Foster's classroom. The check will be given to Therese on April 23, 2015 at a reception to be held at 5:30 at the Parsons Senior Center.
2. Sent out newsletters for parents and students in both buildings.
3. Meet with students on behavior concerns. Gave disciplinary consequences.
4. Sent letters out to parents of students that is having absenteeism problems.
5. Continue to work on next year's COOP orders - Finished up the COOP Building Supply Orders and COOP Paper order for next year in both buildings.
6. Finalized the April Calendar before sending out to parents.
7. Finalized weekly schedules for each building before sending out to staff.
8. Picked up and delivered March's "Food for Kids" boxes to both schools.
9. Both schools held their Spring Bus Evacuation Drills. Practiced a rear and front exit.
10. Both schools held their first Spring Tornado Drill.
11. Started working on the next year's calendar dates.
12. Completed our Track Entry Fee PO's for both schools.

- **Activities**

1. We held two nights of Parent Teacher Conferences March 9th and 10th. Both schools had a great turn out by our parents. We either meet with parents at school or had a phone conference with 100 % of our parents. (Around 290 conferences)
2. Eighth grade parents attended an enrollment meeting at LCHS on March 3rd. Parents were able to pick up a pre-enrollment package, pick up an out of district application, receive information about course offerings, and tour the building.
3. (6-8) Band students took part in the band clinic and concert @ LCHS on March 31st.
4. Track practice started for both schools. Both schools have already attended their first track meets this season.
5. Edna held its Kindergarten Round-up. We had 18 students sign up.
6. (K-6) students from both schools attended a soil conservation presentation from Laura Cruz.
7. Both schools had Spring pictures taken and held Easter Parties
8. Both schools had a (2) week skating unit in their PE classes.
9. Edna Parents held an athletic fundraiser. The boys and girls basketball teams had fun playing their parents on 3/26/15. People who came could give donations and had the opportunity to buy a pulled pork meal.
10. Mr. Shields took his (7-8) S. St. classes from Edna to the state capitol. Picture attached below.
11. Edna Elementary was the only school in Kansas to receive bike helmets from *Ricky Bates BMX Banned Together, Inc.* This is a foundation that was created to promote bike safety. The foundation hopes to provide helmets for kids in all 50 states. Edna Elementary received 70 helmets to provide for kids that needed them. Attached is a picture we sent Ricky and a thank you.

12. BGS had their snowball extravaganza starting Feb. 1 and ending March 13th. Each student read many stories and tested with AR. If they met their reading goal, Mr. Traxson said he would dress up as a soldier and talk with the classes. The students in K-6 read over 2500 AR points--over 2500 books. Attached is a pic of Mr. Traxson with a class



**Mound Valley Grade School
Administrative Report
April 2015**

Building Management

- Will hold Fire Drill
- Send the weekly schedule to staff
- Tornado drill will be held
- Transportation for events scheduled
- Food Bank program report and scheduled
- Met with custodians

Educational Leadership

- Grade level meetings held every Tuesday and Thursday
- Walk-throughs are being held
- Held building staff meeting
- Will hold IEP meetings
- Attended all Administration meetings
- Will attend Greenbush Curriculum meeting
- Will attend School Safety meeting
- Teachers will attend the KRR MTSS training
- Trio continues with grades 6-8
- State Assessment have begun
- Will hold Kindergarten Clinic
- Will attend the District Site Council meeting
- Will attend the KRR evaluation
- Attended the Lego demonstration

Noteworthy Items

- 6th grade will participate in the Play Leadership Development
- Recognized students for the Golden Mustang Award
- 7th grade students will attend the Student Leadership at BGS and Wichita
- Jr. High track meets have begun
- Will hold cheerleading tryouts
- 4th grade will attend Science Days
- Will hold the Spring Concert

Melissa Green

Mound Valley Grade School

News and Notes

April 2015

- **Events**

April 3	No School-Good Friday
April 6	No School
April 7	1:30 506 Invitational Track Meet
April 8	Picture Day
April 10	No School for Kindergarten; Kindergarten Round-Up; 12:30 Cherryvale Track Meet
April 14	6:00 District Site Council meeting; Galesburg Track Meet
April 15	4 th grade @ Bartlett for Science Days
April 16	2:30 Track meet @ Baxter Springs
April 18	PSU Musical Festival
April 20	7:00 Spring Concert @ Harrison Auditorium
April 21	4 th grade Earth Day field trip; 3:30 Chanute Track Meet
April 23	1:30 506 League Track meet @ Altamont
April 24	7 th grade Student Leadership at Wichita

(This calendar is subject to change. Please check the Mound Valley calendar on the district website for changes and updates at usd506.org Click on the Calendar button, then choose the Mound Valley calendar. You may have to choose the current month to update the calendar.)

- **Book Fair**

We owe Jenny Winters a big "Thank You" for all her hard work in planning and working the Book Fair. Also, thank you to all the volunteers who helped and everyone for your participation. The Book Fair raised over \$2530 in total credit! There were a lot of smiling teachers around here with their new books! Thank you so much to our families, students, staff, and community for all your support this week! The kids have been reading a lot of the new books.

- **Future Mustang Alert!**

If you know of a child who may be eligible for the 2015-2016 Mound Valley Pre-School, please have the parent contact the school at 328-3121. The child must be 3 years old on or before August 31st. May 4th is our Pre-School Screener day.

Also, if you know of a child who will be 5 years old on or before August 31st, please have the parent call the school at 328-3121 to schedule an appointment for the kindergarten clinic. This year's clinic is scheduled for April 10th from 8:00 – 2:45.

- **P.E. Skating Unit**-A big "Thank You" goes to Mr. Odaffer for organizing the skating unit for our students. The kids had a great time and learned new skating skills.

- **PTO News**

One of the greatest assets to Mound Valley Grade School is our Parent Teacher Organization. This group supports learning, makes a lot of events and activities possible for our students and is a part of many of our school activities from sports to the book fair. Our goal as an organization is to engage as many families in our school as possible. This spring opportunities to serve on the PTO team will open up. If you are interested in being a part of this very involved group, you can contact Melissa Green at 328-3121.

- **Summer School**

Please get the summer school forms turned back into the office by April 11th. We want to make final preparations and need an accurate numbers to do so. If you need another form please call the office.

Meadow View Board Report

April 13th, 2015

Building Management

*I did all of the usual building management procedures for the month; fire drills, transportation request, weekly staff calendar, etc.

*My staff meets every other Friday for grade level meetings. Teachers are given time to meet and discuss some of the instructional strategies in our "Classroom Strategies that Work" book. We are also meeting and doing some horizontal curriculum alignment.

Educational Leadership

*I have begun organization of our PreK, 5th – 9th grade summer school. It looks like we will have about 60 students participating. We are running it June 9th to July 2nd.

*Our after school program is going strong, we have over 40 students attending. Joyce and her team are doing a great job. We have 7 families signed up for (FAST). They are meeting on Tuesday nights

Noteworthy Items

We had 31 students for our Kindergarten Round-up.

We have our Pre-School screenings scheduled for April 10th and April 17th.

We have over 40 students out for track. Ms. Viranda and Mrs. Hedrick are doing an awesome job coaching and supervising the students.

We also have over 70 students going to the PSU Music Festival on Saturday April 18th. We have 40 students performing solos.

Meadow View News

April 2015

April Dates

- 3 F Good Friday-No School
- 6 M No School
- 7 T Track- 506 Invitational @1:30
- 7 T FAST
- 14 T District Site Council @ LCHS Cafeteria 6:00
- 14 T FAST
- 9 Th Meadow View PTO 3:30
- 10 F Pre-school screening
- 14 T Track @ Iola @ 10:00
- 14 T FAST
- 15 W 4th Grade Science day @ BGS
- 16 Th Track @ Baxter Springs 2:30
- 17 F Pre-school screening
- 17 F Big Bash Party
- 18 S PSU Music Festival
- 20 M Track @ Columbus
- 21 T Track @ Chanute
- 21 T FAST
- 23 Th 506 League Track Meet
- 27 M Pre-K – 3rd grade Spring Music Concert 7:00@ Parson Municipal Aud.
- 28 T 4th – 8th grade Spring Music and Band Concert 7:00 @ Parson Municipal Auditorium

PTO FUNDRAISER

Our Grandma Parker's fundraiser raised over **\$8,000** for our PTO. A big thank you to all who helped us in this endeavor. The "Big Bash" party is scheduled for April 17th. Students that qualified for the party need to remember to wear socks on that day.

Thank you to PTO!

Book Fair

The Meadow View Book Fair was a huge success. Thank you to all of our students, staff, and parents who purchased books and helped run the book fair. We gained lots of books for our school library and for our teacher's classroom libraries.

Important Dates for Eighth Graders

- *Monday May 4th - Eighth Grade Banquet- 6:00 @ LCHS.
- *May 7th Thurs. Eighth Grade trip to Silver Dollar City
- *Tuesday May 12th Eighth Grade Talent Show 8:00
- *Tuesday May 12th Eighth Grade graduation practice @ 9:00 / Eighth Grade Graduation @ 8:00 pm in Harrison Aud.

Stop Bullying Now

How can you help a child that has been bullied? Spend time with the child. Learn about what's going on. Listen. Get the facts and assess the student's feelings about the bullying. Tell them you are sorry for what happened. Assure the student that it is not their fault.

Talent Show

We have scheduled May 14th for our K- 7th grade Meadow View Talent Show. Try-outs will be after the spring program. We will have sign ups in music class. Students will perform in the gym beginning at 8:00.

Summer School

Please get those summer school forms turned back into the office by April 11th. We want to make final preparations and need an accurate numbers to do so. If you need another form please call the office.

Spring Music Concert

Because of the large audiences our Spring music concert will be held on **two nights in April**. Our PreK- 3rd grade concert will be on Monday April 27th, and our 4th -8th grade and Band concert will be on Tuesday April 28th. Both concerts will be held at 7pm at Parsons Municipal Auditorium. Students will earn a participation grade in music and band for attending. Any student unable to attend must have a parent note prior to the concert. We hope you can join us for this great night of music.

Here are 10 active things your family can do during TV Turnoff Week- May 4th – 8th.

1. Play follow the leader.
2. Try a karate class.
3. Roller-skate at an indoor rink.
4. Organize a baseball game.
5. Visit a museum.
6. Have a marching band with household "instruments".
7. Take your dog to the park.
8. Go fishing.
9. Draw a hopscotch game with sidewalk chalk.
10. Take a nighttime walk and look for constellations

Fast Graduation

We will hold our spring FAST graduation on April 21st. Congratulations to all the families who made it through this awesome curriculum.



The only true wisdom is
knowing that you know
nothing."

-Socrates



What's going on in April???

This month, we are seeing our students excel in academics, sports and clubs as they gear up for the end of the year just around the corner. Graduation will be May 10 at 2 p.m.

Dog's Diary

8:00 am - Dog food! My favorite thing!
 9:30 am - A car ride! My favorite thing!
 9:40 am - A walk in the park! My favorite thing!
 10:30 am - Got rubbed and petted! My favorite thing!
 12:00 pm - Milk bones! My favorite thing!
 1:00 pm - Played in the yard! My favorite thing!
 3:00 pm - Wagged my tail! My favorite thing!
 5:00 pm - Dinner! My favorite thing!
 7:00 pm - Got to play ball! My favorite thing!
 8:00 pm - Wow! Watched TV with the people! My favorite thing!
 11:00 pm - Sleeping on the bed! My favorite thing!

Cat's Diary

Day 983 of My Captivity

My captors continue to taunt me with bizarre little dangling objects. They dine lavishly on fresh meat, while the other inmates and I are fed hash or some sort of dry nuggets. Although I make my contempt for the rations perfectly clear, I nevertheless must eat something in order to keep up my strength.

The only thing that keeps me going is my dream of escape. In an attempt to disgust them, I once again vomit on the carpet. Today I decapitated a mouse and dropped its headless body at their feet. I had hoped this would strike fear into their hearts, since this clearly demonstrates my capabilities. However, they merely made condescending comments about what a "good little hunter" I am. Bastards!

There was some sort of assembly of their accomplices tonight. I was placed in solitary confinement for the duration of the event. However, I could hear the noises and smell the food. I overheard that my confinement was due to the power of "allergies." I must learn what this means, and how to use it to my advantage.

Today I was almost successful in an attempt to assassinate one of my tormentors by weaving around his feet as he was walking. I must try this again tomorrow, but at the top of the stairs.

I am convinced that the other prisoners here are "funkties and snitches." The dog receives special privileges. He is regularly released, and seems to be more than willing to return. He is obviously retarded. The bird must be an informant. I observe him communicating with the guards regularly. I am certain that he reports my every move. My captors have arranged protective custody for him in an elevated cell, so he is safe... for now.

English!

Mr. Goins: Honors English I
 English IV
 Mr. Ybarra: Honors English II
 Honors English III
 Ms. Dean: Composition I
 Composition II
 Language Arts III
 Mrs. Chapman: English I

Mr. Goins

Honors English I: Students will have a busy spring as they write persuasive essays and complete a project with movie/graphic components to publish their information.

English IV: students are beginning work on a short formal research paper. They will choose topics related to the nonfiction title they chose for their book study.

Ms. Dean

Composition II: Students are in the middle stages of a researched paper that involves in-depth analysis of 25 sources, synthesis, and evaluation of material in order to come to a decision or solution to a problem or issue.

General Literature: We begin the drama unit that includes reading "The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams (which the drama department is presenting this spring).

Language Arts III: We are beginning a Novel unit. This unit focuses around the students' choice between five (5) works of literature that are

Mr. Ybarra

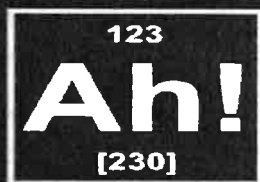
Honors English II: Students have been reading and responding to comparison contrast and process essays. State reading assessments begin on Monday.

Honors English III: Students have been studying poetry. We started with poetry in music and then progressed to researching poetry in everyday things in life and non-traditional forms of poetry.

Mrs. Chapman

English I: Classes are embarking on their Spring Novel Study. English 1 will be choosing between the novels *Black Like Me*, *Mississippi Trial 1955*, and *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

English II: English 2 will choose between *Night*, *The Book Thief*, and *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*.



**The Element
of Surprise!**

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Sciences!

Mr. Morgan

Zoology: students will be finishing studying insects with a dissection of grasshoppers in the lab. Next we will begin learning about the evolutionary history of vertebrates beginning with the dissection of a skate and progressing to fishes and amphibians.

Anatomy and Physiology: Classes will start April by studying bone tissue in greater depth then moving on to the functions of the skeletal system, its ability to repair, and the effects of aging. Following bone tissue we will examine structures and features used to classify bones, the skull, and the vertebra.

Ms. Moore

Biology: Autotrophs and heterotrophs (producers and consumers) are one of the main topics that we are discussing. We are looking very closely at how all of the energy is transferred from one organism to another via food chains and food webs.

Mrs. Gartner

Chemistry: Chemistry is starting solutions chemistry and using a Magic Show experiment

Physics: Physics is studying gears and torque using Lego MindStorm Robotics systems

Biotechnical Engineering: students are studying the human heart and devices used to correct various heart conditions.

Mr. Pierce: General Science: Finishing up a review of the Scientific Method of Investigation and General Lab Safety.

Social Studies!



MOST LIKELY TO SECEDE CLASS OF 1825

Mr. Raschen

American Government: we are starting to look at the three branches of government. We currently are looking at the Legislative Branch at the national and state level. We are exploring how legislators represent our state at the federal level and how they are chosen.

Sociology: Currently we are looking at social structure and roles that go along with knowing and understanding how this defines who we are and the expectation that society has for us based on our current "status".

STUCO: Currently we are looking at a school Talent Show. Also during this time a T-Shirt was designed to support the Lady Grizzly Basketball Team that qualified for State in Salina. I want to recognize Labette Bank, Stockyards Travel Plaza, and Bleacher Gear for their support to allow the cost of the t-shirt to be affordable for all students and faculty in USD 506. In a 24-hour time period over 400 t-shirts were sold to support our Lady Grizzly Basketball team.

Mr. Traxson

World History II: We will be studying the rise of Totalitarianism looking at Communist Soviet Union, Fascist Italy, Imperial Japan, and Nazi Germany leading up to World War II. Students will also be researching notorious world leaders past and present and comparing "Who's the Worst". This unit will devote about two weeks on Nazi Germany and the Holocaust alone

Honors US History: We will be studying the 1st half of the 20th century focusing on the progressive movement/presidents, the roaring twenties and dirty thirties, and WWII. Activities will include a stock market investment game based on corporations found in the 1920's, research/essay on depression topic of student choice.

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Teenager Post # 5748

Math: The only place where people buy 60 watermelons and no one wonders why.

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Math!

Mr. Carson: Algebra I A; Algebra I; Consumer Math

Ms. Oswald: Algebra I; Geometry

Mrs. Case: Geometry; College Algebra

Mr Page: Algebra II

Ms. Oswald

Algebra I: We are also hard at work on a research project. The students will be doing research on a famous mathematician. Using their research, they will create a visual item that they will present to the class.

Mrs. Case

Geometry: We are currently working through the unit on tangents, arcs and chords. We just finished learning about circles and tangents and will be testing soon.

Trigonometry: We are currently learning about trigonometric identities and equations. We just finished the eight basic trigonometric identities, the sum and difference identities and the double and half angle identities. The students are working hard and I appreciate all of their efforts.

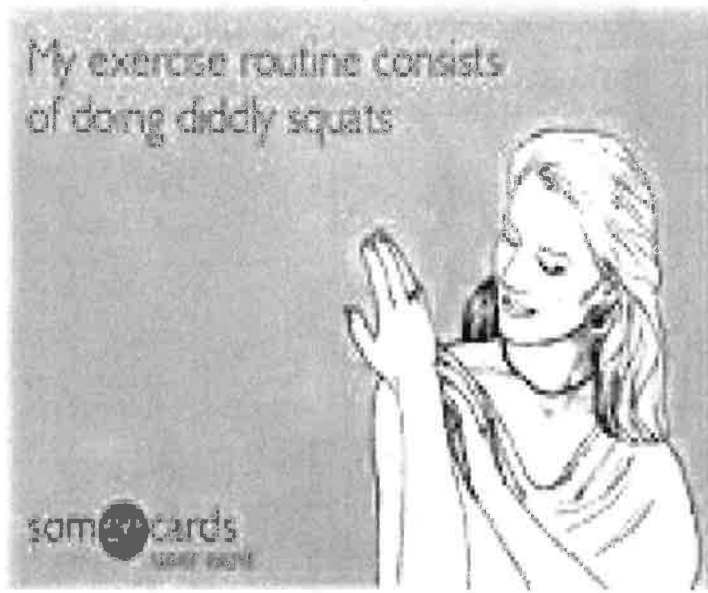
Mr. Page

Algebra II We are finishing up the last objectives of solving quadratic equations and will transition all of those skills into graphing parabolas based on quadratic functions. Also, most of the Algebra II students are sophomores and they will be taking their state tests in mid April. On April 14th, approximately 35 math students will be attending the annual PSU Math Relays and competing against several hundred students from the 4 state area.

Mr. Carson

Algebra I: We are learning how to solve quadratic equations. This concept will be a big part of their alg. 2 class next year. We are finishing the last 9 weeks strong because the students know that the concepts during this period are the most important for next year.

Consumer Math: We are learning about the process of buying a house. During this chapter we compare renting to buying and talk about loans, interest rates and all the decisions that go into this process.



FITNESS!

Mrs. Snider and Mr. Smith

Physical Education: At the present time our Physical Education classes are continuing the Badminton/Table Tennis unit. The freshmen finished the alcohol health unit and the life time unit of horseshoes is coming up.

Mr. Hartman

Conditioning: The students just completed the "Blast Your Bench" three week program. For three weeks we followed a strict and difficult regimen and we maxed this past Monday to see what improvement each student made. Our progress was very good with a number of students making good gains in this short period of time.

American History: We are studying the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920's and the impact that had on Kansas. Today in class we watched a video about how America went "bust" as a result of the Stock Market Crash. As part of this unit we have talked about Adolph Hitler and his rise to power in Germany and the impact that the "Nazi" Olympics of 1936 had on the German people when Germany won those Berlin Olympics.

Health!

Patient: The problem is that obesity runs in our family.
Doctor: No, the problem is that no one runs in your family.

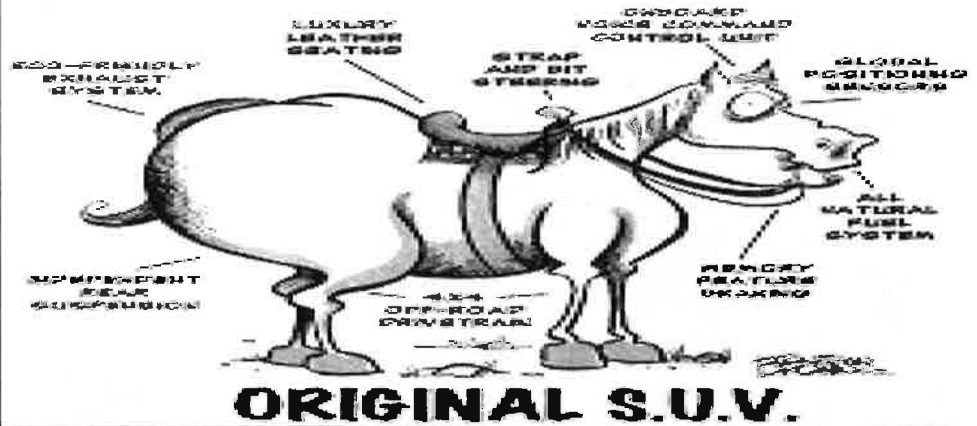


Mrs. Hinkle

Medical Terminology: The units to be covered this month include the eyes and ears, the musculoskeletal system, and the nervous system. We will be reviewing terminology, common diseases and disorders, laboratory and diagnostic tests, and surgical interventions for these body systems.

Health Science I, II, and III: These students have been learning about safety in the workplace, the role of OSHA in the healthcare industry, and the prevention of personal injury by using proper body mechanics and ergonomic devices. This month we will also study the chain of infection. We will review common pathogens, modes of transmission, methods to reduce infection, and industry standards for using personal protective equipment. Some of the hands-on skills to be practiced this month will include hand washing methods, applying and removing personal protective equipment, and proper disinfection of common equipment.

DRAFTING AND AUTO



Mr. Ruttgen

AST 3 and 4 - Students have been doing live work such as alignment, rack and pinion, tune-up, and carburetor rebuild.

AST 2- Students are removing and installing starters, alternators, generator fusible link. They are also diagnosing starter and charging systems for start-no-start conditions.

AST 1 - Students are performing tire repair, mounting and dismounting and balancing.

Information to Auto - Study of lubrication systems, oil changes and studying viscosity, grades and standards of oil requirements.

Mr. Holroyd

Blueprint Reading — Students are continuing to work with AutoCad drawing Multiview drawings.

Semester 2 – Students are working in AutoCAD on section drawings.

Semester 3 – We are working in AutoCAD on auxiliary views and section drawings with threads.

Semester 4 – Students are learning to work with Regions and Boolean operations in preparation for 3D Modeling.

Semester 6 – Students are learning MasterCam writing toolpaths for CNC operations.

We have a 2014 graduate of our Drafting program who after one semester at ICC is employed as a drafter at John Deere in Coffeyville. Dalton Wiley is continuing his education at ICC while working at John Deere.

Manufacturing Process: We are currently studying plastics. We are completing our wood projects also.

Cabinet Making and Furniture: Students are building furniture. We are studying door and drawer construction.

Ag and Welding!



Mr. Falkenstein, Mr. Zwahlen, and Mr. Wiley

students have been busy with contests and curriculum. The Ag Sales teams returned from Iola with first place finishes in A, B, and Additional Team divisions with three students placing first overall, therefore another clean sweep of the Southeast District Ag Sales CDE belongs to LC. In Southeast District Proficiency Award Selection, LC won 12 of the 22 categories of Proficiency Awards, bringing home 55% of all the plaques that 24 schools had the opportunity to win. In class, students have finished fertilizer calculations and have been constructing a fence on the school farm. In addition, the students have installed a corn earworm trap on the school farm to track movements of corn earworms and to provide data to Monsanto throughout the growing season. Freshman students have began an entomology unit to help with understanding of insect management within row crop systems. The chapter officer team has been busy getting ready for the Labette County FFA Chapter Banquet which will be held on April 15 at LCHS.

Mr. Gilpin

Welding: The welding department is finishing up general safety and allowing the students to express their knowledge of safety components in the shop. From here the students will dive into machine safety and skill welds.