



Flinthills Flyer

USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

February, 2017

School Districts Come Together in the Name of Dance



For the past several years, the Bluestem School District has been teaching their students how to swing dance to help improve student involvement at school dances. Mr. Daniel Scribner, the P.E. teacher at Bluestem High School, offered to teach our Flinthills students how to swing dance and two-step. On January 10th, Mr. Scribner, along with 20 Bluestem students, came to Flinthills to teach our students some of the dance techniques. It was a fun day.



1st Semester Honor Roll

High School

Middle School

Intermediate

Principal's Honor Roll

4.0 GPA

Rachel Bell (12)
 Mary Bisbee (12)
 Payton Gawith (12)
 Alyssa Howard (12)
 Elisabeth Joseph (12)
 Holton Nelson (12)
 Corbin Gauthier (11)
 Kayla Liggett (11)
 Javen McCreight (11)
 Ashley Melugin (11)
 Kolton Melugin (11)
 Chaz Ratcliff (11)
 Hanna Wright (11)
 Cari Brown (10)
 Harley Ratcliff (10)
 Nyah Brown (9)
 Colton Gauthier (9)
 Sarah Hinnen (9)
 Lyndee Martin (9)
 Sarah Sorum (9)
 Janea Totty (9)

Black Honor Roll

3.99 - 3.5 GPA

Courtney Brown (12)
 Gina Brown (12)
 Vanessa Caylor (12)
 Brandon Henson (12)
 Olivia Leslie (12)
 Tyler Melugin (12)
 Sarah Taylor (12)
 Hunter Travnichek (12)
 Makenzie Jackson (11)
 Destiny Lawrence (11)
 Nicholas Naill (11)
 Brayden Taylor (11)
 Bradon Totty (11)
 Christopher Cornell (9)
 Destiny Fulps (9)
 Hadley Girty (9)
 Savannah Hale (9)
 Philip Humig (9)
 Cody McNeil (9)
 Kady Nuncio (9)
 Christian Roller (9)



Red Honor Roll

3.49 - 3.0 GPA

Stevie Becker (12)
 Ashley Harris (12)
 MiKayla Lyman (12)
 Trey McNemee (12)
 Alannah Travnichek (12)
 Sarah Harris (11)
 Justin Lamb (11)
 Bailey Smith (11)
 Haley Wright (11)
 Jeffrey Garcia (10)
 Peyton Girty (10)
 Jada Humig (10)
 Emily Joseph (10)
 Caden Sangals (10)
 Dylan Steinhauer (10)
 Adia Witherspoon (10)
 Levi Brown (9)
 Issac Bugner (9)
 Elizabeth Dennis (9)
 Jack Donner (9)
 Justus Humig (9)
 Drew Taylor (9)
 Jesse Town (9)
 Braden Wight (9)



Principal's Honor Roll

4.0 GPA

Reagan Heimgartner (8)
 Morgan Holcomb (8)
 Emily Wilson (8)
 Brandon Gleason (7)
 Alexis Hatvick (7)
 Danielle Howard (7)
 Savannah McCreight (7)
 Jessie Mooney (7)

Black Honor Roll

3.99 - 3.5 GPA

Matison Totty (8)
 Chloe Wieckhorst (8)
 Tayler Brown (7)
 Riggina Carney (7)
 Lauren Donner (7)
 Trena Garcia (7)
 Alissa Henson (7)
 Jonathan McCreight (7)
 Lynsee Olbrey (7)
 Rachel Taylor (7)

Red Honor Roll

3.49 - 3.0 GPA

Lucas Austin (8)
 Bailey Bugner (8)
 Christopher Grimwood (8)
 Breyah Lacey (8)
 Cody Noel (8)
 Alexa Snyder (8)
 Tucker Travnichek (8)
 Kylee Weis (8)
 Tabitha Brown (7)
 Gavin Girty (7)
 Cylan Lakin (7)
 Kody Mooney (7)
 Dusty Schafer (7)
 Josh Schultz (7)
 Dawson Sharp (7)
 Cael Sorum (7)
 Evan Taylor (7)
 Lauren Town (7)
 Ethan Wilson (7)

Principal's Honor Roll

4.0 GPA

Madison Alvord (6)
 Adley Humig (6)
 Laura Scribner (6)
 Amanda Brown (5)
 Callie Cordts (5)
 Kolby Holcomb (5)
 Willow Kane (5)
 Danica Leis (5)
 Tate Leslie (5)
 Alexis Powell (5)
 Sydney Sorum (5)
 Landon Boldra (4)
 Addison Cartmell (4)
 Cameryn Finley (4)
 Karsyn Flores (4)
 Jerron Hartley (4)
 Kyle Parker (4)
 Harlee Randall (4)
 Emily Scribner (4)
 Rylie Wight (4)
 Tylan Willard (4)
 Karynn Gleason (3)
 Ataya Nesser (3)
 Keira Poston (3)
 Jaxon Swafford (3)
 Maddy Willard (3)

Arianna Adams (6)
 Alexis Farris (6)
 Klayton Griffith (6)
 Kaitlynn Klein (6)
 Larrissa Lakin (6)
 Alexis Schill (6)
 Joey Becker (5)
 Riley Garcia (5)
 Rebecca Holstine (5)
 Anthony Jaquez (5)
 Austin Liggett (5)
 Braiden Neeley (5)

Black Honor Roll

3.99 - 3.5 GPA

Nate Becker (6)
 Kaily Gilman (6)
 Karly Girty (6)
 Philip Harris (6)
 Taren Lakin (6)
 Hunter Lowmaster (6)
 Micheal Neeley (6)
 Madilynn Thomas (6)
 Wyatt Beard (5)
 Donovan Hartley (5)
 Yana N-Taylor (5)
 Conner Sutter (5)
 Javin Weis (5)
 Tagen Carney (4)
 Paige Corter (4)
 Cali Crossfield (4)
 Konner Griffith (4)
 Lilly McNary (4)
 Brooke Wilson (4)
 Levi Beard (3)
 Zack Brown (3)
 Brylee Heimgartner (3)
 Barrett Hudson (3)
 Jacob Kane (3)
 Shawn Kenneson (3)
 Mason Randall (3)
 Alex Scribner (3)

Red Honor Roll

3.49 - 3.0 GPA

Ashtyn Roark (5)
 Kolton Stanfield (5)
 Shane Steinhauer (5)
 Dalton Fulps (4)
 Noah Lacey (4)
 Taylor Brown (3)
 Aubrey Chambers (3)
 Katelyn Corter (3)
 Hunter Davis (3)
 Miah Jaquez (3)
 Jonah Sesock (3)
 Gavin Stacey (3)

CODY ALVORD AND HOLTON NELSON PREPARE FOR NATIONALS IN DUET ACTING



Seniors, Cody Alvord and Holton Nelson will travel to the University of Nebraska this June with the duet act they performed at the Kansas State Theatre Conference. The FHS duo will represent our state in a judged performance titled "Individual Events." The University of Nebraska is the site for the International Thespian Society Conference where theatre students, educators and professionals from all over the world will gather to showcase selected performances, attend workshops, and share knowledge.

Holton and Cody are working to receive a Superior Rating at Nationals, and will benefit from the feedback of professionals and educators from across the country. Break A Leg, Holton and Cody!



Holton, Mrs. McCreight and Cody

TSA Officers Attend Winter Leadership Conference

Three students from the FHS Technology Student Association attended Leadership Training in Emporia on Monday, January 30. Sessions included knowing your learning styles, fundraising, and new updates to our competitions. The highlights of the day were playing the Escape Room and of course, pizza for lunch. The officers learned a lot & are ready to get busy working on their competition pieces for state competition in March.

Mrs. Austin



Pictured: Alyssa Howard, Hunter Travnichek, Hadley Girty

Four Mustangs Named to SCBL All-Academic Team

Four Flinthills' students were named to the 2017 South Central Border League academic all-league team. These students were honored for their participation in athletics and other extra-curricular activities while maintaining high academic scores. Consideration for selection to the academic all-league team is based on a seven semester high school career. This year's team consists of twelve senior girls and twelve senior boys. Members must be seniors with a minimum 3.0 grade point average and must have completed four KSHSAA sponsored competitive activity seasons. Scores on the PSAT and ACT are also used to help determine the top students in the league.

The following students were honored with both a medal and a certificate to recognize their selection as an academic all-league member: Trey McNemee, Tyler Melugin, Payton Gawith, and Alyssa Howard. Congratulations to these student-athletes.



Back row: end of left side-Trey McNemee, end of right side-Tyler Melugin
Front Row: 6th from left-Payton Gawith, 4th from right-Alyssa Howard

Howard reaches 1,000 point milestone



Flinthills Mustangs' senior guard Alyssa Howard had a big night in the quarterfinal game of the SCBL Basketball Tournament game against Cedarvale/Dexter and she hit a huge milestone in the process.

Howard scored 39 points in the Mustang girls' 69-44 victory, which was enough to cross the 1,000-point threshold for her career. Howard's career total reached 1,004 points total after she was finished scoring in the game. "Last night I was able to reach a goal of mine in breaking 1,000 points for my high school career," said Howard. "I want to thank all of my teammates because without them, this accomplishment would not have been possible. I also want to thank everyone who has supported me through the years as well. All of you helped make this dream a reality."

Howard went on to score 29 points against Caldwell in the semi-final game of the SCBL Basketball Tournament and 20 points against

Sedan in the Championship Game against Sedan bringing her career total to 1,053 points at the conclusion of the SCBL Basketball Tournament. The Lady Mustangs were crowned the 2017 SCBL Tournament Champions after going 3-0 during the tournament.

LADY MUSTANGS WIN SCBL TOURNAMENT



For the first time since 1974 we can say that Flinthills Lady Mustangs won a Basketball League Championship. We were the #1 seed going into the Tournament and hosted Cedarvale / Dexter on Wednesday Jan 18th. We rolled to 69-44 win and moved into the Semi Final game. The final two games of the Tournament were hosted at Cowley County Community College. In the Semi Final game we were matched up against Caldwell. The last 2 games we played against Caldwell were close games and this was no different. It was a back and forth game with us keeping a 2 point lead the last 2 minutes until Caldwell

started to foul and force us to the free-throw line. We took care of business and ended with a 54-49 win and rematch against Sedan in the Championship Game.

Last year Sedan took it to us and beat us soundly in the Championship Game but this year we were ready for them. We lead at half time by 2 pts but they came back in the 3rd to lead by 1 going into the 4th qtr. It was a tight game the final period with Sedan leading by 1 pt with only 1:45 left. A quick basket, followed by a steal and layup, gave us a 3 point lead and we maintained that lead after we exchanged some free-throws. The final score was 39-36 and we beat Sedan for the first time since 2007.

Thank you to all of those that made the trip to Arkansas City to cheer us on. We truly appreciate it and am proud that we can share this title with you.

FANTASTIC JOB LADY MUSTANGS!!!! I knew that you could do it.

Coach Monty



ASHLEY MELUGIN RECEIVES ANOTHER CROSS COUNTRY AWARD

Congratulations to Ashley for being selected Kansas Academic All State Cross Country Team. This award is for Juniors and Seniors that finish in the Top 30 at the Kansas State Cross Country Meet and have at least a 3.75 GPA. Ashley can add this to her already successful Cross Country career. She finished 12th in State in both her Freshmen and Sophomore years in Class 1A. She finished 28th in State this year in Class 2A. She holds the School Record for fastest 5K at 21:44. Great Job Ashley, keep up those grades and keep running well.

Coach Monty

High School Basketball



Front row (l-r): Kedryn Morse, Issac Bugner, Holton Nelson, Christian Roller, Tyler Melugin, Payton Klein, Chaz Ratcliff.

2nd row (l-r): Levi Brown, Dylan Steinhauer, Cody McNeil, Bradon Totty, Jesse Town, Caden Sangals.

3rd row (l-r): Terry Jones, Javen McCreight, Wyatt Studebaker, Gage Peterson, Bryant Harris, Stevie Becker, Drew Taylor.

Back row (l-r): Coach Casteel, Trey McNemee, Hunter Travnichek, Heath Town, Destiny Lawrence, Kolton Melugin, Coach Oltman.



Front row (l-r): Harley Ratcliff, Nyah Brown, Sarah Hinnen, Hanna Wright, Ashley Melugin, Janea Totty.

Middle row (l-r): Alyssa Howard, Lyndee Martin, Sarah Sorum, Sarah Taylor, Taylor Bisbee, Gina Brown.

Back row (l-r): Coach Melugin, Allison Gawith, Cari Brown, Payton Gawith, Rachel Bell, Coach Ratcliff.

Middle School Basketball



Front row (l-r): Tucker Travnichek, Lucas Austin, Ethan Wilson, Austin Downard, Loudon James.

Middle row (l-r): Tayler Brown, Philip Harris, Cael Sorum, Cody Noel, Hunter Lowmaster.

Back row (l-r): Nate Becker, Dylan Taylor, Christopher Grimwood, Kody Schafer, Josh Schultz.



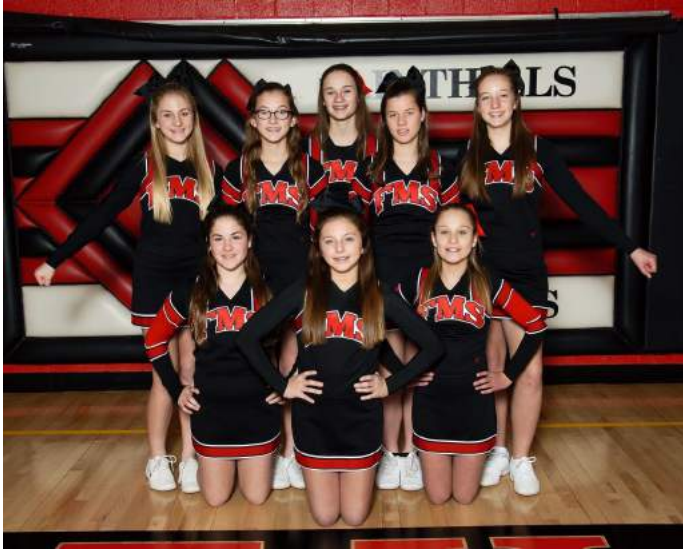
Front row (l-r): Alexis Schill, Taren Lakin, Larrissa Lakin, Alexis Hatvick, Karly Girty, Laura Scribner.

2nd row (l-r): Alexis Farris, Lauren Donner, Matison Totty, Madilynn Thomas, Kylee Weis, Emily Wilson, Riggins Carney.

3rd row (l-r): Lynsee Olbrey, Madison Alvord, Kaitlynn Klein, Reagan Heimgartner, Savannah McCreight, Danielle Howard.

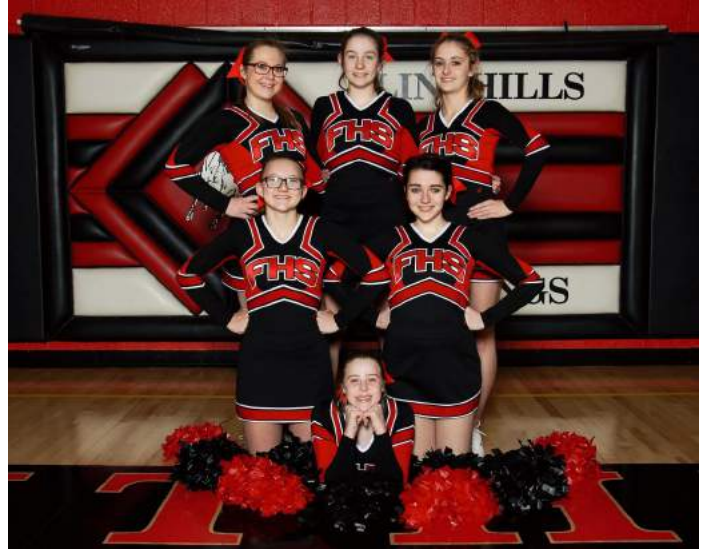
Back row (l-r): Coach Sorum, Jessie Mooney, Morgan Holcomb, Rachel Taylor, Chloe Wieckhorst, Tabitha Brown, Coach Freking.

Middle School Cheerleading



Front row (l-r): Baily Bugner, Lauren Donner, Alissa Henson.
Back row (l-r): Lynsee Olbrey, Riggin Carney, Danielle Howard, Lauren Town, Savannah McCreight.

High School Cheerleading



Front row (l-r): Sarah Hinnen, Allison Gawith, Savannah Hale.
Back row (l-r): Bailey Smith, Sarah Sorum, Emily Green.

Middle School Girls Basketball

As we head into the League tournament we come off a big 43-40 win vs. a very good South Haven team. It moved our varsity to 12-1 on the season. Our B team finished up 10-2 on the season. Our season for C team was 5-2. Very good group of kids to work with, you can tell our youth coaches have done a nice job teaching fundamentals.

Coach Sorum

Middle School Boys Basketball

After Christmas the boys started off strong defeating Central Burden in both the jv and varsity games. Unfortunately for the varsity it has been their last win. The varsity boys are 2 wins with 11 losses. The jv boys are now 5 wins 7 losses and a tie. The boys have been in most games but run out of steam at the end of the game. Hopefully by the end of the season we can manage another win from the varsity boys. The boys don't quit and fight until the end so Coach Di and I are proud of them for that.

Coach Harms

Thank You to everyone who volunteered their time to help PTO with the Potato Bar and concession stand! It was VERY much appreciated!!

If you'd like to join us for our next meeting we'd love to see you!

It will be Monday, February 13th in the library at Rosalia.



More Homecoming photos can be found on the Flinthills USD 492 Facebook page.



COME ONE,

A NIGHT AT

HOMECOMING WAS HELD
TUESDAY,
JANUARY 24, 2017

COME ALL

THE CIRCUS

DRESS UP DAYS

DESTINATION DAY

DISNEY DAY

CIRCUS DAY

CLASS COLOR DAY

RED & BLACK DAY



2017 Homecoming King and Queen Candidates

Stevie Becker, Alyssa Howard, Holton Nelson, Sarah Taylor, Hunter Travnichek, Brandon Henson



2017 Winter Homecoming Candidates



The FHS Winter Homecoming ceremony was held Tuesday, January 24 between the varsity basketball games against Udall. Seniors, Brandon Henson and Hunter Travnichek were crowned the Homecoming King and Queen. Kindergarten escorts were Jake Scribner, son of David and Melissa Scribner, and Ellie Kreidler, daughter of George and Shelby Kreidler. Helping to assist the escorts was last year's queen, Londyn Doll.

Pictured; Stevie Becker, Alyssa Howard, Brandon Henson, Hunter Travnichek, Holton Nelson, Sarah Taylor, and escorts, Jake Scribner and Ellie Kreidler.

Stevie Becker

Stevie's parents are Sam and Stacy Becker. His hobbies include lifting and stealing everyone's girl. Stevie's activity is basketball. He plans on going to college and then living at home until he is 40.

Alyssa Howard

Alyssa's parents are Bret and Cristy Howard. Her hobbies include listening to music, outdoor activities, and hanging out with Tyler. Alyssa's activities are volleyball, basketball, FCA, theatre, Scholar's bowl, math relay's, TSA, NHS, Big Brother Big Sister, track, and International Thespian Society. She plans on playing basketball at Tabor College while working on a major in Biology to then go onto Wichita State to major in physical therapy.

Brandon Henson

Brandon's parents are Rodney Henson and Lisa Henson. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, drawing, and sleeping. Brandon's activities are baseball, football manager, basketball broadcaster, FFA, TSA President, Theater, and International Thespian Society. He plans to attend K-State to double major in mechanical engineering and architectural design with a minor in nuclear engineering.

Hunter Travnichek

Hunter's parents are Josh and Staci Travnichek. Her hobbies include hanging out with friends and family, writing, watching movies, and hunting. Hunter's activities are volleyball, softball, TSA, and HS Boys' basketball manager. She plans on attending Butler County Community College to major in Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement.

Holton Nelson

Holton's parents are Shane and Michelle Nelson. His hobbies include riding and training horses, and hanging with friends and family. Holton's activities are basketball, theatre, band, NHS, STUCO Vice President, Class Vice President, and a member of the international thespian society. He plans on attending K-State to major in Animal Science.

Sarah Taylor

Sarah is the daughter of Alan and Dawne Taylor. Her hobbies include watching Netflix, painting Mr. T's nails, going on safari hunts with Payton, and hanging out with the squad. Sarah's activities are basketball, back stage crew, STUCO, and NHS. She plans on attending a college to major in nursing.

FLINTHILLS **CHEERLEADING NEWS**

Basketball season has found the Flinthills Cheerleaders keeping very busy. With two basketball games a week for both the middle school and the high school, the squads have been getting plenty of practice this season.

Our high school squad has a new member in Sarah Sorum. She joined us at the beginning of the season and has done a great job learning all the dances and the cheers in which isn't an easy feat.

Stunting is the cheerleaders favorite part of cheer and they have been working on several new stunts to perform for the crowd. Watch for them at an upcoming game!

Our annual Mini Mustang Basketball cheer camp is in progress at this writing. The cheerleaders are teaching the future cheerleaders a dance for halftime and cheers for the game on Friday February 3rd. They will also be cheering throughout the varsity girls and boys games and all are working hard on their performances.



We are also in the process of deciding where to attend summer cheer camp. Camp has been a major goal of all our fund raising throughout the year. Our cheerleaders want to continue to learn new techniques and cheers and to raise the bar for cheerleading in our league.



Senior Basketball Athletes, Managers and Broadcasters Have Autograph Signing Day

For Winter Homecoming Week the senior basketball athletes, managers and broadcasters hosted a trading card autograph signing session with the Primary and Intermediate students.

The Primary and Intermediate students lined up and were able to interact and ask the seniors questions about sports and school. Many of the young students bragged about having the trading cards from last years senior class and were very excited to have the opportunity to spend this time with the seniors again this year. The seniors had a great time interacting with the younger students and promoting positive community outreach for the Flinthills Basketball Programs.

Mr. Casteel




Parent / Teacher Conferences will be Wednesday, Feb. 15th and Thursday, Feb. 16th from 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Middle and high school teachers will be set up in the commons. The elementary teachers will meet with you in their classrooms at your scheduled time. If you need a reminder of your time, please call the school office in which your child attends.

Grades K-2, call 620-735-4428

Grades 3-6, call 620-476-2218

Lifetouch
Spring
Pictures
Monday, February 13th



With My Own Two Hands

Third graders tell us how they can make the world a better place with their own two hands.



I can change the world
With my own two hands.
Make a better place
With my own two hands.
Make a kinder place
With my own two hands.

By Ben Harper

"I can put my hands together and pray for all 50 states."

Barrett

"I can go all around the world and pick up trash."

Katelyn

"To do neighborhood watches in bad parts of El Dorado."

Levi

"To help homeless people find homes."

Alex

"I can make the world a better place by cleaning around my school."

Karynn

"I can make it a better place by fixing cars with my dad."

Shawn

"I could help take care of people that are hurt."

Hunter

"I can pick up the trash on the beaches and in the ditches and in the parks."

Brylee

"I can recycle. I can pick up trash."

Aubrey

"I can help a friend by helping them by getting better at reading."

Maddy

"I will be kind to others."

Jaxon

"I can make the world a better place by inventing a new kind of car."

Jacob

"I could pick up trash. I could recycle plastic."

Gavin

"I can help homeless people by giving them water and food."

Zack

"I will pick up litter everywhere I go, and read to kind kids, white or black, and bake."

Ataya

"I can help by protecting people."

Jonah

"I can make a better place by cleaning up litter and recycling."

Miah

"I can pick up trash on the side of the road."

Mason

"I can help the homeless by giving them \$100 and food."

Keira

"I can give homeless people money and food."

Taylor

"I would feed myself and others."

Brock

Employee of the Month



Steve Oltman currently serves as our Elementary Special Education Teacher. He is also the Assistant Middle School Football Coach, the Assistant High School Boys' Basketball Coach, and the Assistant Baseball Coach. Steve was nominated by Erik Sorum who indicated that he has been invaluable as an assistant coach. Steve has also been integral in transforming our Elementary Special Education program. He has a huge caseload this year, and has been patient, cool, calm, and is a tremendous asset to USD #492. Steve will receive a Flinthills Jacket and a Certificate.

Students of the Month



Kadyn Nuncio

9th Grade

Parents – Ramie & Shawn Ramsey

Hobbies – Playing softball, riding horses, & hanging out with friends

Activities – Softball and FFA

Favorite Class – Photography



Alexis Hatvick

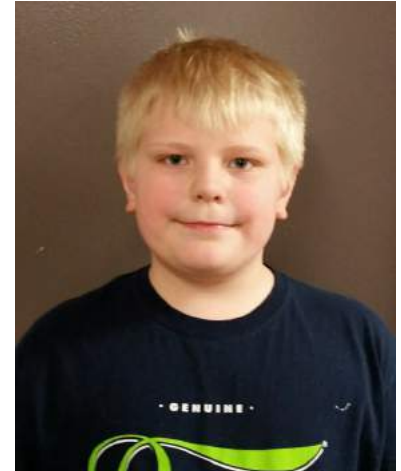
7th Grade

Parents – Brian and Krystal Hatvick

Hobbies – Knitting, reading, stitching, and video games

Activities – Football and Basketball

Favorite Class – PE



Conner Sutter

5th Grade

Parents – Heather Sutter

Hobbies & Activities – Playing on his tablet, watching shows with his sister, and playing basketball

Favorite Class - Science

KANSAS 2017 STATE THEATRE CONFERENCE

Seize the Day!...was the theme at this year’s Kansas Theatre Conference. Over 1900 students from across the State attended the Hyatt/Century II Complex for 3 days of intense DRAMA. 22 FHS Students learned new dance moves, fencing techniques, acting strategies, scenic artistry, improvisation exercises and dialect skills to utilize for future performances. Cody Alvord auditioned for College Scholarship Opportunities and received 15 College Callbacks ranging from The New York Conservatory of Dramatic Arts, KD Conservatory, Kansas State University, Northwest Missouri State University, and Friends University. Congratulations, Cody!

Below, our students gather in front of the lobby display our Flinthearts High School Troupe constructed to showcase our past year of theatre.



We're still accepting Box Tops!

Please keep clipping your Box Tops and submit them to the school. PTO will kindly send them off to raise money for the school to help with numerous classroom needs. Thank you!

Butler County Special Education Interlocal

COUNT YOUR KID IN 2016 – 2017

Count Your Kid In is a free developmental screening for infants and preschool children living in Butler County. The screenings are sponsored by the Butler County Special Education Interlocal and authorized by Kansas State Department of Education. The purpose is to help parents identify potential learning problems and find help. If your child has difficulty walking, talking, seeing, hearing or learning, please call 316-775-6904 to schedule a free appointment.

February 10, 2017

St. John’s Catholic Church

302 N. Denver, El Dorado, 316-321-4796

Family Game Night

March 14th at Flinthills Primary

6:00-8:00 p.m.



For book prizes

Math and Reading games in the classrooms

Come and enjoy a good time with your family

Refreshments will be served



The Flint Hills 4-H Club rang the bell for the Salvation Army on December 21st for two hours.

“Old Fashioned” School Day

On Friday, January 20th, Miss. Boyd's 1st Grade Class got to experience an "Old-Fashioned" school day! They went the whole day with no lights on in classroom, and used antique lanterns when needed (with the help of Miss Boyd). They used slates and chalk for their calendar time, and took their spelling test with special "quills".

Students had to wash their hands in porcelain tubs with bars of soap. Kaleb Grunder and Garrett Jackson brought some special items from family members who taught in one-room school houses. The students really enjoyed looking at these items and discussing them. Miss. Boyd shared some century old primer books used by teachers in the past. The class rounded out the day by playing old fashioned games in the gym like marbles, bean bags toss, four square and jump roping. The students and teachers had a great day!



Scholars Bowl

Scholars Bowl is coming to a close for the Flinthills High School. Varsity will compete Thursday, February 2nd at Regionals at Central-Burden. The top three teams go onto state. Wish the following students good luck; Alyssa Howard, Mary Bisbee, Javen McCreight, Colton Gauthier, and Corbin Gauthier.

The Junior Varsity wrapped their season up with a 2nd place finish at League, held in Caldwell on Monday, January 23rd. Be sure and congratulate the following students; Colton Gauthier, Jada Humig, Sarah Sorum, Sarah Hinnen. Mrs. Thomas



Sarah Sorum, Jada Humig, Colton Gauthier, and Sarah Hinnen.



Javen McCreight, Alyssa Howard, Jada Humig, Sarah Hinnen, Mary Bisbee, Colton Gauthier, and Corbin Gauthier

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- (1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Mr. Boldra completes KASB Leadership for Tomorrow class



Jeremy Boldra, Flint Hills USD 492 superintendent, recently completed participation in the Leadership for Tomorrow Class of 2016-2017, sponsored by the Kansas Association of School Boards. Boldra was one of 33 board of education members and school superintendents/administrators recognized in Topeka Jan. 11, 2017.

KASB’s Leadership for Tomorrow program identifies exemplary board of education members, school superintendents and administrators from across Kansas for the year-long leadership program. Those selected for the program participate in five two-day sessions centering on student achievement, key education issues and leadership skills.

The 2016-2017 Leadership for Tomorrow class is the twelfth class to graduate from the KASB program. One hundred and ninety-seven board members and administrators have completed the program.

KASB, headquartered in Topeka, Kansas, serves governing boards and administrators of unified school district boards, community college boards of trustees, area vocational-technical college boards and boards of cooperatives, interlocals and regional service centers. Currently the association represents 285 school districts and 42 interlocals, cooperatives, service centers, community colleges and technical colleges.

3-D Projects Bring Books to Life

Native Americans are the topic of study, for the third and fourth grade Reading Rally group of Mrs. Gray. Students chose which of five different tribes they would like to read about in non-fiction books. They then used the table of contents to direct them to the four specific topics they most wanted to study. After taking notes on those topics, they used their notes to create three-dimensional projects. Students are shown hard at work, on dwellings, tools, and weapons.



Lilly McNary, Addison Cartmell, Mason Randall



Jerron Hartley, Karynn Gleason, Cameryn Finley



Levi Beard, Jonah Sesock



Zack Brown, Noah Lacey



You Are Invited!

**23rd Annual
Butler County
Student Art Exhibit!**

At the Couetts Museum of Art
110 N. Main, El Dorado, Kansas

**Reception Dates:
Kindergarten through 8th Grades**

Reception:
Sat., February 11th, Noon - 4:00p.m.

Reception:
Wed., February 22nd, 4:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

(Exhibit on display Feb. 7th through March 8th, 2017)

Come and go at your leisure.
Free and open to the public.



Adley, 6th grade



Callie, 5th grade



Joey, 5th grade



Addison, 4th grade



Sydney, 5th grade



Laura, 6th grade



Arianna, 6th grade



Austin, 5th grade



Katelyn, 3rd grade



Rebecca, 5th grade



Barrett, 3rd grade



Jaxon, 3rd grade



Konner, 4th grade



Emily, 4th grade, front and back



Alexis S., 6th grade



Philip, 6th grade

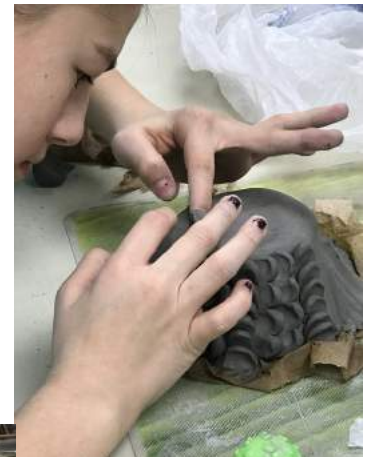


Amanda, 5th grade

ART HAPPENING

Last spring the Flinthills Art Department was fortunate enough to purchase 2 potters wheels and a bunch of slip molds from a neighboring school. Students have had a lot of fun figuring out how to throw a pot on the wheel and are fascinated with pouring their own slip castings. Middle school and high school art students have also been busy with hand building projects. There's no denying it's clay season in the art room!

-Mrs. Austin



Flinthills Spelling Bee



The Flinthills spelling bee was held January 11, 2017. The following students were the classroom winners and competed for the chance to move on.

Zack Brown, 3rd grade
 Karynn Gleason, 3rd grade
 Jerron Hartley, 4th grade
 Emily Scribner, 4th grade
 Amanda Brown, 5th grade
 Kolby Holcomb, 5th grade

Kaily Gilman, 6th grade
 Laura Scribner, 6th grade
 Lauren Donner, 7th grade
 Cael Sorum, 7th grade
 Dylan Taylor, 8th grade
 Emily Wilson, 8th grade

The middle school spelling bee champion was Cael Sorum, and runner up was Emily Wilson. The intermediate spelling bee champion was Kaily Gilman, and runner up was Emily Scribner.

Flinthills Geography Bee

The Geography Bee was held on January 18, 2017 for the Intermediate and Middle School students. The following students were the winners from the classrooms;



Laura



Savannah

Cameryn Finley, 4th grade
 Emily Scribner, 4th grade
 Willow Kane, 5th grade
 Yana Nikolskaya-Taylor, 5th grade
 Alexis Schill, 6th grade

Laura Scribner, 6th grade
 Alexis Hatvick, 7th grade
 Savannah McCreight, 7th grade
 Morgan Holcomb, 8th grade
 Matison Totty, 8th grade

Laura Scribner was the Flinthills Intermediate School Champion and Savannah McCreight was the Flinthills Middle School Champion. They will each complete a test for possible state qualification.



**Congratulations to
 Colton Gauthier and
 Javen McCreight on
 their Youth Leadership
 Butler Graduation!!!!**

Pictured: The Graduating Class from Youth Leadership Butler with Aaron Wirtz, the Super Car Guy of Wichita.

Students Put Their Fabrication Skills to the Test

The students at Flinthills High School are offered the opportunity to combine academic and vocational studies by taking the Furniture and Cabinetry Fabrication class under the instruction of Mr. Nathan Worrell.

The students are taught to use numerous day to day hand tools, and also some larger machines such as, table saw, miter saw, band saw, lathe, planer and jointer.

There are many different projects that are currently being worked on. Holton Nelson is making a recycling bin, Dylan Steinhauer is creating a dresser, Heath Town is building a dining room table, Philip Humig is constructing a desk, Braden Totty is making a night stand, Taylor Bisbee is creating a shoe rack, and Cari Brown is building a bookshelf, just to name a few.

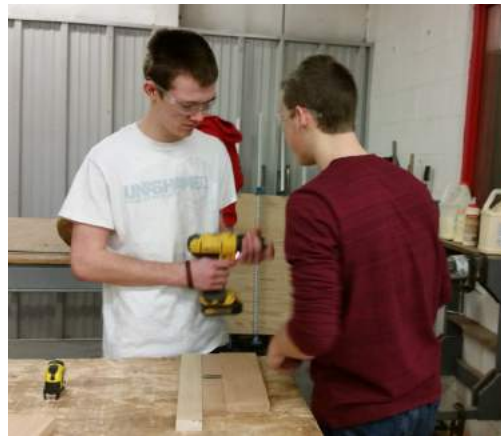
This course brings great hands-on experience and prepares the students for a variety of fields in the work force.



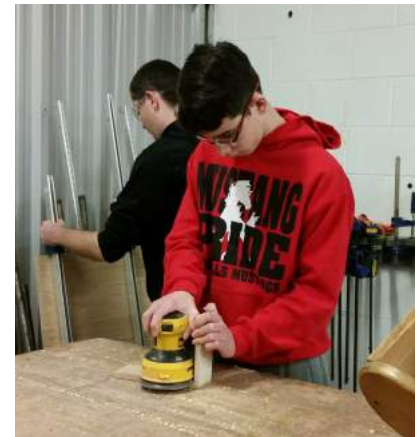
Caden Sangals with his completed project.



Justin Lamb



Braden Wight and Justus Humig



Cody McNeil



Taylor Bisbee and Heath Town



Jesse Town

Board of Education Appreciation Month



USD 492 Board of Education – (Left to Right) Josh McNary, Jed Morse, Pat Hannon, Melissa Scribner, Chet Hefton, Travis Holcomb and Justin Grunder.

Pat Hannon works for Spirit AeroSystems as the lead for their IT Support Center.

Justin Grunder farms and ranches in the Cassoday area.

Melissa Scribner is a stay-at-home wife & mother. She also serves on the PTO board & has been an excellent source of diabetes education & training for the district this year. She works on an as-needed basis for Rural Water District #3 and as a substitute teacher.

Chet Hefton works for Fleming Feed and Grain.

Josh McNary is a general contractor.

Travis Holcomb works as a foreman for Albert Hogoboom Oilfield Trucking.

Jed Morse works for Conoco-Phillips 66.

4-H Club News

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club met on January 16, 2017 for their regular monthly meeting.

Members discussed and decided on dates for the upcoming Blue and Gold sausage sale. Money raised through Blue and Gold sales is used for camp and other 4-H event scholarships for club members as well as for community service projects. All proceeds raised in this spring's sale will be used as a memorial for Leonard Stalnaker at the Butler County Fair Livestock auction.

Club members also discussed and voted on increasing the amount of scholarship money available to club members during the 4-H year. Scholarship applications will be updated to reflect the new program.

The next meeting will be held on February 20.

-Submitted by Trena Garcia, Reporter

Seventh Grade Science



The seventh grade science class is doing a lot of controlled experiments, one of the experiments is ice cream, but get this, it's made with DRY ICE! Dry ice is a cooling agent that can lower temperatures down to -109.3 DEGREES FARENHEIT, now that's cold! So the experiment is to make ice cream with dry ice. Maybe it's a challenge, maybe it's not. While the dry ice was being hammered to pieces, the ingredients were being mixed. Those ingredients consisted of eggs, milk, sugar, vanilla, salt, and cocoa. When they finally put the dry ice with the mixture, the dry ice turned to vapor! The mixture turned very thick and started to foam. As the group mixed and turned it, it started to form like ice cream or like frozen yogurt. The class really liked how it turned out. The experiment was a success! (And it was delicious) We will keep you updated on any recent activities.

-Your Seventh Grade Science Reporters,
Brandon Gleason, Lauren Donner, Alexis Hatvick



WALK-A-THON



The students at Flinthills Primary (K-2nd grade) will be participating in our Annual WALK-A-THON on February 24, 2017.

The event will start at 1:30 PM.

Each student will have 30 minutes to walk and all will be given a yummy treat at the end.

Plus, the WINNERS will be announced!

Students will collect pledges before they walk.

(Cash or Checks made to: **Flinthills PTO**)

Your support will be going to PTO, which will help us fund activities for our students & teachers. THANK YOU!

February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Regional Scholars Bowl MS BB Tournament @ 5:00	3 Butler County Spelling Bee 1:00 HS BB vs. Argonia 4:45 Senior Night— BB/WR/Band Between V Games HS WR @ Circle 2:00	4 Regional Piano Festival MS BB Tournament @ Dexter 9:00 HS WR @ Circle 9:00
5	6	7 HS BB @ Burden 4:00	8 FFA @ Kiowa	9 MS BB Tournament @ Dexter 4:00	10 HS BB @ Caldwell 4:00 HS WR @ Cherryvale 3:30	11 State Scholars Bowl Forensics @ Central 8:00 MS BB Tournament @ Dexter 10:00 HS JV WR @ Burlington 9:00 ACT Test
12	13 BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 PTO @ Rosalia 6:00 Lifetouch Spring Pictures— Cassoday 8:15 Rosalia 10:00 MS Scholars Bowl @ FHS 4:30	14 Valentine's Day Valentine Parties— Primary 2:15 Intermediate 2:45 HS BB @ Oxford 4:00	15 Parent-Teacher Conferences 4—8	16 Parent-Teacher Conferences 4—8 MS Math Relays @ Caldwell 4:45	17 NO SCHOOL HS BB vs. Sedan 4:45 Regionals WR	18 State Piano Festival FFA WEEK Regionals WR
19 FFA WEEK	20 President's Day NO SCHOOL	21 MS SCBL Math Relays @ FHS 4:45 HS BB @ Hartford 4:45	22 FFA @ Kiowa	23 MS Scholars Bowl @ Central 4:30 Forensics @ Oxford 4:00	24 Tri-M State Conf. State WR @ Hays Primary Walk-A-Thon	25 KMEA State Band & Choir Performance State WR @ Hays
26	27 Sub-State BB Girls Booster Club 6:00 1st Day of Practice MS Scholars @ West Elk 4:30 MS WR @ Whitewater 4:00	28 Sub-State BB Boys				

March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Sub-State BB Girls MS WR @ Douglass 4:00	3 Sub-State BB Boys	4 Forensics @ Udall 8:00 Sub-State BB Finals MS WR @ Cotton- wood Falls 9:30
5	6 MS Scholars Bowl @ Sedan 4:30 FFA Selection Day MS WR @ Howard 5:30 HS Music Festival @ Cowley	7 SCBL HS Math Relays @ Central 4:45	8 State BB	9 End of 3rd Qtr State BB	10 FHS Theatre Production 7:00 State BB	11 FHS Theatre Production 7:00 State BB
12 Daylight Savings Time Begins	13 BOE @ Cassoday 7:00	14 FFA Banquet 6:00	15 Winter Sports Banquet 6:30	16 HS SCBL Music Festival	17 St. Patrick's Day NO SCHOOL Staff Dev/Work Day	18
19	20 Spring Break	21 Spring Break	22 Spring Break	23 Spring Break FFA @ Coffeyville	24 Spring Break	25
26	27 Booster Club 6:00 MS Scholars Bowl @ Elk Valley 4:30 Forensics @ Argonia 3:00 FFA @ Hutchinson SB/BB @ Sedan 4:00	28 TSA State Competition MS TR @ Burden 1:30 HS Math Relays @ Flinthills 4:45	29 TSA State Competition FFA@ Marion	30 TSA State Competition MS SCBL Scholars Bowl @ Oxford 4:00 SB @ Longton 3:00 BB vs. Elk Valley 3:00	31 Kindergarten Round-Up NO Kindergarten MS Music Festival @ Dexter 8:00 HS TR @ Oxford 3:30	

Flinthills Flyer

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Playing with boxes!!

The kindergartners read the book, "Too Many Toys", where the little boy ends up having to box them up and then discovers how much fun it can be to play with those boxes. The kids were using their imaginations to make whatever their little hearts desired and, boy, did they have fun! Oh the places they went with those imaginations, as well!

