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Travis Holcomb: (316)-323-4213
Myron Wilhite: (316)-734-9151
Toni Gauthier: (316)-305-9969
Flint Hills 4-H Club Reporter, Kolby Holcomb

# SENIOR CLASS 

This is a reminder to get your baby pictures, elementary school pictures, and senior pictures to Mrs. Austin as soon as possible for the graduation slide show.



## REMINDER: Parent Teacher Conferences October 23 \& 24 4:00 PM-8:00 PM



## Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club met on Sunday August $25^{\text {th }}$ for their Supporters' Ice Cream Social. The club members set up presentations about their 4-H year to show the supporters. Club members and supporters enjoyed desserts and homemade ice cream and socialized. Sarah Hinnen prepared and narrated a slideshow of the $4-\mathrm{H}$ year. The next meeting will be September 16, at the Cassoday School at 7 p.m.



## Skills USA

Skills USA is a career and tech ed organization that helps students prepare for a desired career in life all the way from a diesel mechanic to a nurse.
"I have been sponsoring Skills USA for about 12 years," says FHS teacher Tod Johnson. "With Skills USA, I hope to help students achieve careers that they would like. I hope to help students accomplish state and national championships and allow them to receive scholarships to further their education whether it be going to college, a technical school, or some other kind of training."

High school officers are: President Hadley Girty, Vice President Kedryn Morse, Reporter Colton Smith, Parliamentarian Cooper Studebaker, Secretary Sarah Sorum, Treasurer Reagan Heimgartner, and Historian Gavin Girty.

Middle school officers are: President Sydney Sorum, Vice President Shane Steinhauer, Reporter Yana Taylor, Parliamentarian Javin Weis, Secretary Amanda Brown, Treasurer Jared Stopczynski, and Historian Wyatt Beard.

## Eligibility

There is a new eligibility rule in the Flinthills Student Handbook this year. Students must maintain good academic standing to participate in extra-curricular activities.

An eligibility report is run the first day of each week. It is effective on the second day through the following Monday. This report determines if a student is eligible to participate in school sponsored activities until the new report is made.

Students will be notified if they are eligible on the day of the report and parents will receive eligibility notices by email or call. If a student is failing any classes, he/she is considered ineligible beginning the day following a completion of the report. The duration of eligibility runs one week.

Coaches will decide if an ineligible student will practice with the team. Additionally, ineligible students cannot travel with the team.

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Intermediate Student of the Month
Ellie Kreidler
3rd grade
Parents: George \& Shelby Kreidler
Hobbies \& Activities: Cheerleading \& Art
Favorite Class: Art

MS Student of the Month
Paige Corter, 7th Grade

Parents - Kelli \& James Davis

Hobbies - Playing outside, fishing, playing with puppies and working with my grandparents

Activities - Basketball, track, math, pie and science
Favorite Class - Science


HS Student of the Month
Joey Whipple, 12th Grade
Parents - Susan \& Mark Whipple
Activities - Playing games and hanging out with friends

Favorite Class - Government

## Shout Outs 9/16/19-9/20/19

- Shout out to Dennis for getting our toílet issue taken care of so quickly! - Lisa Taylor
- Shout out to Becky Randall for giving up some quiet time to help in Kindergarten P.E.! -Lisa Taylor
- Shout out to the bus riders of the week. Thank you for following and obeying the rule of the bus: Reece Jackson, Kendalljones, Brenten Willmott, and Olivia Wilson! -Míchelle Nelson
- Shout out to Karen for the way she handled a student who was struggling to handle their emotions! -Michal Austin
- Shout out to Philip and chase for setting up my new printer in the computer lab!-Michal Austín
- Shout out to Bryna for a great mentoring lesson on Trust! -Michal Austin
- shout out to Larry for always taking time to acknowledge my "positive office referrals"! Michal Austín
- Shout out to the volunteer coaches who make Flinthills rec teams an option for our students! sarah Grunder
- Shout to Stephanie for looking out for our students! - Larry cawith
- Amy Brewer for going the extra "miles" to come back to cassoday after her home visits! - Larry Gawith
- Marla Edwards for the pride she takes in working with our students! -Larry Gawith
- Steve oltman for his willingness to help with students! -Larry Gawith
- Bryna Boldra for the time she puts in for our students! - Larry Gawith
- Shout out to Tresa García for always helping out when we are short-handed!-Kelli Davis
- Shout out to chase casteel - for representing Flinthills in an excellent manner in the KTOY race! We are very proud of hím!-cammy onek
- Shout out to ALL staff for help and support in a very CRAZY week!! - cammy onek
- Shout out to Karen Hinnen for volunteering her help with our Wednesday night study session for students!-cammy onele
- Shout out to Janessa, Andrea, candy, patty and sandy for going above and beyoud to help our students who need EXTRA help!!! -Cammy Onek
- Shout out to our coaches and athletes!!! Keep up the GREATjob in making Flinthills PROUD! cammy Onele
- I want to give a shout out to Bill for teaching me to drive the bus. The kids wanting to go on a field trip today appreciate this as well! Joan Grover
- I want to give a shout out to Russell for taking the time to attach some parts to the drums. Thank you! Joan Grover
- Shout out to our Bond Campaign committee for all of their hard work!
- Shout out to our Kitchen staff for their hard work in preparing meals for us and cleaning up after us!
- Shout out to Dennis for all of the grounds work he does to keep our grounds looking good and for the toilet he fixed at cassoday!
- Shout out to Russell, Bill, LeNell, and Clara for their hard work in keeping our facilities clean!
- Shout out to Stephanie, Leesa, casey, and Michelle for the reports you get me and for all you do for our kids!
- Shout out to the HS Volleyball Team for Winning the Flinthills Tournament! And Good Luck tomorrow at Dexter!
- Shout out to the MS volleyball Team for beating cedarvale-Dexter last night!
- Shout out to the MS Football Team for competing to the end of the game last night!
- Shout out to all of our cheerleaders for the great job you do in keeping the crowd positive and into the game!


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- Shout out to Jesse Town for stepping in and helping a student out! He went above and beyond to make a new student feel comfortable and demonstrated kindness, friendship, and character! Bryna Boldra
- Shout out to crystal Ratcliff for planning and organizing our STAR reading groups! We appreciate you. - Intermediate Staff
- Shout out to Pattí Baker for working the varsity table. She did a great job! - Tiffany Willard
- Mrs. cartmell for doing the countless jobs that come along with her role, and all with a smile! Tammy Brown
- Shout out to MrG-Thanks for all your help this week! - cammy onek
- Shout out to janessa jones and candy Wright for going above and beyond and staying after school to tutor kiddos. -Karen Hinnen
- Shout out to Clara for keeping our rooms looking and smelling good! - Kristen sangals
- Shout out to Mrs. Onek for helping outJHB team coaching and throwing all the positive energy out there! - Erik sorum
- Shout out to Janea Totty and my stuco kids for a great $5^{\text {th }}$ quarter last week! - Erik Sorum
- Shout out to the first ever State Fair video news team! Jonathan, Dawson, Morgan, savannah \& cylan fought through some technical \& time challenges but their perseverance paid off! I'm super proud of them!-Michal Austin


## Volleyball Scrimmage, Community Cookout, and Football Jamboree

## On August 30, 2019, Flinthills hosted their annual Community Cookout. Before the cookout began, the middle and high school volleyball teams scrimmaged each other, and the high school varsity team scrimmaged the volleyball alumni.




High School Football Team getting ready to run a play.
Four players of the Middle School Football Team waiting for their turn to start running plays.

KSHSAA has allowed high school football teams to participate in a jamboree, a controlled scrimmage, against three or four other school teams. We had the pleasure of hosting Chase County and Centre during our community cookout. The next two years, the high school football team
will travel to Chase County and Centre for their jamboree. The Middle School Football team scrimmaged each other when the high teams were required to rest.



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It wasthe end of a normal school day when out of theblue a completestranger toour district showed up with avery kind and generousgift. HsnameisM. JohnWll. HeisfromHastead, Ksand hespendshisday makingLincolnLogs and blocksinhisownsawmill. Johnhasdeliveredmorethan 300log cabinstoschoodsthisyear in Kansas When we askedhimhowhepickedour school he said, "I wasdriving homefromAugusta with one cabin and set of blocksleft. I thought I'dtake a different routehome, so when I seen your schoo I decidedtostopin" We would liketothankhim forhiskindness and generosity.

## Mustang Mentoring 2019-2020

Every week students participate in a Mustang Mentoring topic which is part of our district wide Big Idea core curriculum. There are 9 themes, one for each month. In September we have worked on the theme of trust. For one activity we discussed how and why the topic of trust is important.

Mustang Mentoring occurs on Tuesdays during Seminar. Mustang Mentoring helps students understand the theme through activities and discussions. Mrs. Boldra was asked which one was her personal favorite and she said this, "It's really hard to pick a favorite. They all contribute in making you a well-rounded person. Each one is incredibly important as a life skill."


| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Meals are subject to change. <br> Parents eating lunch with their kids need to notify school 2 days in advance. <br> This is equal opportunity provider and employer. | 1 <br> Chicken Quesadilla <br> Salsa <br> Steamed Cauliflower <br> Corn <br> Strawberry Mango <br> Sidekicks <br> Sliced Pineapple <br> Milk | 2 <br> Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans Fresh Baby Carrots Pretzel w/ Cheese Sliced Peaches Milk | 3 <br> Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Mixed Vegetables Applesauce W.G. Roll Milk | 4 |
| 7 <br> Chicken Fried Steak <br> Mashed Potatoes <br> Cream Gravy <br> California Blend Veg. <br> Sliced Pears <br> Biscuit <br> Milk | 8 <br> Taco Crunch <br> Refried Beans <br> Lettuce \& Tomato <br> Salsa <br> Applesauce <br> W.G. Cinnamon Buns Milk | 9 <br> Mini Corn Dogs <br> Peas <br> Steamed Carrots <br> Fruit Juice <br> Strawberries \& Bana- <br> nas <br> Milk | 10 <br> Baked Potato Bar Chili <br> Broccoli \& Cheese Pineapple Tidbits W.G. Rolls Milk | 11 <br> Grilled Chicken Patty on W.G. Bun Sweet Potato Fries Green Beans Lettuce \& Tomato Tropical Fruit Goldfish Crackers Milk |
| 14 <br> Pork Little Smokies <br> Macaroni \& Cheese <br> Steamed Cauliflower <br> Peas <br> Rosy Applesauce <br> W.G. Muffin <br> Milk | 15 <br> Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Brown Gravy Mixed Vegetables W.G. Roll Grapes Milk | 16 <br> Beef Hot Dog on w.g. <br> Bun <br> Baked Beans <br> Tater Tots <br> Sliced Peaches <br> Bunny Grahams <br> Milk | 17 <br> W.G. Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza Corn <br> Broccoli <br> Apples <br> Diced Pears <br> Milk | 18 <br> Sausage Links <br> Hash Browns <br> Cream Gravy <br> Biscuit <br> Vegetable Juice Mandarin Oranges Milk |
| 21 <br> Chicken Fajitas on Flour Tortilla <br> Corn <br> Lettuce/Tomato/Salsa <br> Peppers/Onions <br> Applesauce <br> Milk | 22 <br> Cheese French Bread Pizza <br> Green Beans <br> Steamed Carrots <br> Pineapple <br> Banana <br> Milk | 23 <br> Chicken \& Noodles Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Tropical Fruit W.G. Roll Milk | 24 <br> Hamburger on Bun <br> Baked Beans <br> French Fries <br> On- <br> ions/Tomatoes/Pickles <br> Sliced Peaches <br> Cookie <br> Milk | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \\ & \text { NO SCHOOL } \end{aligned}$ |
| 28 <br> Chicken Strips <br> Mashed Potatoes <br> Cream Gravy <br> California Blend Veg. <br> Mandarin Oranges <br> W.G. Roll <br> Milk | 29 <br> Tater Tot Casserole <br> Green Beans <br> Fresh Baby Carrots <br> W.G. Pretzel w/ Cheese <br> Sliced Peaches <br> Milk | 30 <br> Chili w/ Beans <br> W.G. Corn Chips <br> Fresh Celery <br> Sliced Pineapple <br> W.G. Cinnamon Roll Milk | 31 <br> Turkey Ham \& Cheese on W.G. Bun French Fries Green Beans Lettuce \& Tomato Strawberry Mango Sidekicks Goldfish Crackers Milk | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. 1st } \\ & \text { NO SCHOOL } \end{aligned}$ |

## October 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 HS VB @ South Haven 5:00 | $\stackrel{2}{\text { SCBL Meeting }}$ | 3 MS VB/FB vs. Sedan 4:30/6:30 | 4 <br> No School <br> Staff Dev/Work <br> Day <br> HS FB vs. Burden 7:00 <br> Homecoming @ half-time | 5 <br> HS VB JV <br> Tournament @ <br> Flinthills 9:00 <br> Homecoming <br> Dance 8:00- <br> 11:00 |
| 6 | 7 Lifetouch Pic- tures-Cassoday Rosalia 8:00 HS JV FB @ Madison 5:00 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 8 \\ & \text { HS VB @ Udall } \\ & 5: 00 \end{aligned}$ | 9 <br> SCBL Meeting <br> FFA Poland Angus Livestock Judging @ Isabel | 10 HS JV VB vs. Eureka 5:00 MS VB/FB @ Udall 4:30/6:30 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 11 } \\ & \text { HS FB @ Sedan } \\ & 7: 00 \end{aligned}$ | 12 <br> Rosalia Alumni Lunch <br> HS VB <br> Tournament @ South Haven |
| 13 | 14 Columbus Day BOE @ Rosalia $7: 00$ HS VB vs. Olpe 5:00 Senior Night- VB JV FB vs. Sedan 6:00 | 15 <br> American Legion <br> Government Day <br> Bond Communi- <br> ty Meeting @ <br> Rosalia Commu- <br> nity Center 7:00 | 16 <br> PSAT Test-10th <br> \& 11th Grade <br> $\$ 17.00$ <br> FFA Horse Evaluation @ Kingman <br> HS ChoirWinfield <br> Bond Community Meeting @ Cassoday Community Center 7:00 | 17 <br> MS VB/FB vs. Central 4:30/6:30 | 18 <br> HS FB vs. West Elk 7:00 <br> Senior Night Football @ 6:30 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 19 } \\ & \text { TCBL MS VB } \\ & \text { Tournament } \end{aligned}$ |
| 20 | 21 SCBL MS VB Tournament Parent/Senior Info Night 5:307:00 | 22 Regional Volleyball | $23$ <br> Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 | 24 <br> Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 <br> MS FB @ South Haven 6:00 | 25 <br> HS FB @ Oswego <br> 7:00 <br> No School | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 26 \\ & \text { Sub-State VB } \\ & \text { ACT Test } \end{aligned}$ |
| 27 | 28 Booster Club 6:00 Kansas Honors Scholars @ Cam- pus Bond Communi- ty Meeting @ Rosalia Commu- nity Center 7:00 | 29 <br> MS Math Relays <br> @ Howard 4:45 | 30 | 31 <br> Halloween <br> Halloween Parade and Parties -Primary 2:00 Intermediate 2:15 |  |  |

## High School Volleyball

The high school volleyball teams is off to a great start! The varsity team is $23-2,5-0$ in league play and have taken first place in our Home Tournament and the Dexter Tournament. The junior varsity is $7-1$ with their only loss coming to the Wichita Defenders who played half of their varsity team against them. The C team is $1-1$.

The varsity primarily plays seven girls: Nyah Brown, Sarah Sorum, Sarah Hinnen, Janea Totty, Lauren Donner, Lynsee Olbrey and Morgan Holcomb. The subs for the varsity are: Reagan Heimgartner, Karly Girty, Riggin Carney, Kylee Weis and Savannah McCreight. I had no idea we would have 23 wins with only two losses at this time in our season. The Kansas Volleyball Association has ranked the girls as high as 4th in 1A rankings and you have to remember with the new classifications there are about a hundred 1A teams. Things I really like about this team: 1st) They never give up on a ball diving all over the court, 2nd) It seems like a different girl steps up every match, 3rd) They have matured as a team. At the Central Tournament we were tied for first place in our pool but unfortunately would be seeded third which means we wouldn't get out of pool play. We had one match left against Sedan that didn't matter so we could go through the motions or destroy. They destroyed Sedan 25-10, $25-3$.

The junior varsity starters are: Adley Humig, Reagan Heimgartner, Lauren Town, Savannah McCreight, Riggin Carney, Karly Girty and Kylee Weis. The subs are: Laura Scribner, Madison Alvord, Taren Lakin and Trena Garcia. This team is very competitive and helps our varsity team get better.

The C team consists of Alexis Farris, Zara Thomas, Trena Garcia, Taren Lakin, Madilynn Thomas, Alexis Schill, Madison Alvord and Laura Scribner with Megan Rose and Hayli Newman as subs. This team is our most improved team. It is really fun to watch them get better, which in turn makes the jv team get better. Coach Ratcliff has done a great job with the C and JV teams making them better.

I hope the girls continue to work hard the remainder of the season. Players who work hard will have the opportunity to move from one team to another as the improve throughout the year. Coach Ratcliff and I are very proud pf the girls. GO LADY MUSTANGS!!!
-Mr. Harms

## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

> Recent graduate and employee, Holton Nelson, was selected as the September Employee of the Month. He is currently and "At-Risk" paraprofessional, and was nominated by Bryna Boldra and Michal Austin. He was characterized as one who has jumped right in, and is always willing to lend a hand. He has already worked in some tough situations like a seasoned pro, and has worked hard to develop positive relationships with students and staff. It is evident that he has gained the respect of students in a short time because of his friendly, professional attitude. Holton will receive a certificate and a Flinthills jacket

## Shout Outs <br> $$
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- Shout out to Jim vaught for improving the primary parking lot. -Taylor walp
- Shout out to Amanda Dragoo for helping me get set up for our Reading Core: Daily 5! -Taylor walp
- Shout out to Michelle Nelson for helping me stay organized for Kids Klub. -Taylor Walp
- Shout out to our subs for spending time at the primary! - Taylor walp
- Shout out to PTO for providing out vouchers for the semester! -Taylor walp
- Shout Out to our great kítchen staff. Thank you Kelli, sheri, Tana, Debbie, \& LeNell for all you do for us. (2) You ladies are the BEST! -Michelle Nelson
- Shout to Mrs. Brewer for the T-shirt! -Marla Edwards and Trista Martin
- Shout Out to Russell Totty - giving the vending machine a breath of fresh air.
- shout out to our cooks-Kelli, Debbie, Tana, and sheri - for cooking up great meals for us! Kristin sangals
- Shout out to our community members who donated money so that every intermediate student will get a free book every month to take home! The students were so excited to receive their first book this month! -Kristin sangals
- Shout out to the MS students for cheering on their teammates. You made the games fun to watch! -Tiffany Willard
- shout out to all our athletic teams, great week so far!
- shout out to my math kids, the effort on MAP testing has been great!
- Shout out to Julie Mocreight for coming in early every morning to make sure our students are ready for the theater production! -Andrea Humig
- Shout-out to the POP team for taking time out of their busy schedules every week to show their care for the staff and students! -Andrea Humig
- Shout out to Mrs. Thompson for all the extra work it takes to put together the livestock judging practices for the FFA students. -Steve oltman
- Shout out to all of the middle school kids for the energy and spirit they brought to the games last night! Great things come through genuine encouragement and praise!
- Shout out to Kedryn Morse for announcing the Middle School Football game last night! You helped make it very enjoyable!
- Shout out to Tylan Willard for running the game camera last night at the middle school game! Excellentjob!
- Shout Out to Cammy Onek and Leesa Smith for coordinating the effort to get staff shirts for all!
- Shout Out to the HS volleyball team for a $4^{\text {th }}$ place ranking in 1A State!
- Shout out to the Primary school for surviving a fire drill during lunch!



# $4^{\text {th }}$ Annual Butler County Volunteer Rural Fire District \#4 Fundraiser Saturday October $26^{\text {th }} 2019$ 

## Sponsors \& Special Thanks To

Mountain Deer Revival is sponsoring the Fire Department by donating all proceeds from concert

## Schedule of Events:

## Cornhole Tournament

@ Cassoday City Park
Registration @ 11:30 \$20 per team

3:00 pm Fire Dept. Tours \& Fire Truck Rides
Rides only $\$ 1$ per person

4:00 pm Chili Cook Off Competition
@ Cassoday Community
Center
133 S. Washington St
Registration \& Setup @ 3:00

7:30 pm Outdoor Concert
Mountain Deer Revival
@ Rick \& Jen’s Country Store
$\$ 5$ cover per person (kids 10
\& under free)
Rick \& Jen's Country Store is sponsoring the Fire Department by donating all profits from beer sales.

Many other sponsors and volunteers.


Department
\#1 Flight 93 Shanksville Volunteer Fire


## \#2 Cigar Box Guitar

Made and donated by Greg Ball

NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED ON PREMISES
(ABC LAW)
Beer and nonalcoholic beverages will be available for purchase

## Student Council

On Wednesday, September 25, the Student Council traveled to Winfield for the 2019 Kansas Student Council Regional Conference. The students learned new leadership skills and met students from multiple schools. According to Janea Totty, STUCO President, "I enjoyed the speaker, she was motivating. I also enjoyed her message of Resilience."
"I enjoyed the smaller sessions and meeting new people, the speaker, Heather Schultz, was very motivational and I enjoyed her message."-Trena Garcia. The group enjoyed their morning activities and went out to lunch and a meeting in the park.


## Homecoming Week

The week of September 30th to October 4th is Flinthills High School Homecoming week. There will be a week of fun filled games and dress up days. On Monday, we will have a Hula Hoop Contest for our game and we will dress up with a Luau/Tropical Day. We will get a bit colorful on Tuesday with class colors and we will have a fun Cornhole Contest.

Wednesday we will go to the future with Future Destination Day while hoping not to get wet with the Water Balloon Toss. Finally, on Thursday we will get some school spirit with Red and Black Day and play some Volleyball.

Friday we will not have school but our Homecoming game will start at 7 with Homecoming during half time. On October 5th, the Homecoming Dance will be from 8:00pm-11:00pm. All high school students should come to both the game and dance to have a fun time on Friday and Saturday.

## FALL PLAY PREPARATION

Auditions for the Flinthills High School fall play were held on Saturday, September 7 in Mrs. McCreight's classroom. The cast list went up the following Wednesday morning, followed by the first rehearsal starting at 6:30 on Thursday morning. This was the first rehearsal of many that will continue until the fifteenth of November, the first production night. Before production, there will be a series of days that will be spent working on the set, getting the stage lights in the correct placement, and rehearsing the full show.

The fall play is Captain Fantastic! under the direction of Mrs. Julie McCreight. The live performances will be put on on Friday, November 15 and Saturday, November 16 at 7:00 in the evening, at the Flinthills High School Theatre.

We interviewed Sarah Hinnen, a member of the play cast and asked her about how the preparations are going. Sarah said, "In this play I am portraying the role of Ms. Clinger, the biology teacher. I am very excited to play this role and will continue to work hard until the productions are finished." We also interviewed Mrs. McCreight who said, "Captain Fantastic! is a play about a teenage news editor who is accused of doing wrong but ends up being heroic along with other characters. I chose this play because it has very interesting characters for the actors to portray."

By Sarah Hinnen, Alexa Snyder, Taren Lakin


Meet at the Pole
At the annual Meet You at the Pole event held at FHS, Philip Humig, senior member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes spoke. He explained the importance of patience by saying, "Waiting and prayer: you've all heard the phrase 'Patience is a virtue,' but who here hates waiting for something? Every day we all wait for one specific thing, the 3:30 bell."

Philip Humig continued, "So in the beginning of the New Testament when Jesus said 'I will come back soon.' But it's been two thousand years. Imagine the reward of the people who are waiting for that! Psalms 27:14 says 'Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the Lord.'"

Lydia Humig provided live music at the event. Students sang, prayed, and enjoyed donuts at the event's conclusion.

## Scholastic Video News Competition

Jonathan McCreight, Dawson Sharp, Morgan Holcomb, Savannah McCreight and Cylan Lakin went to the Kansas State Fair on September 13 with Mrs. Austin. The students took part in the Scholastic Video News Competition. From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. the team had to produce a 4 -minute video for judging. The team produced a 90 second video about Tram Services at the Butterfly Pavilion, an ad topic that they drew. The team had their own "office" to work in after they stopped filming. The team was asked the question "What did you enjoy about going to the State Fair and competing."
"Funnel cake!"-Dawson Sharp
"Going to the State Fair was a great experience because it was a great opportunity to observe the small things and report about specific topics."-Savannah McCreight
"I enjoyed shooting all the different scenes for the video and all the people I worked with."Morgan Holcomb

Mrs. Austin hopes to bring a team
 to compete in future competitions. "Our Flinthills team always represents the school well. They really enjoy these opportunities to experience something new and different."

## Principal's Corner

Every year brings new beginnings. We are having a 'learning' start to our year with many new students and staff. We have a great system, now we just need to spend some time to ensure all are on the same page and following school policy!

I have chosen to highlight a few of the rules that are either new or those we are having to address with students, the first being our new eligibility policy. I encourage students and parents to check grades continually on PowerSchool. If you cannot log on, please notify the office and we can get you the information. Grades change all the time with new assignments and teachers' updates. We run the eligibility report on Monday mornings. You should check your child's planner to see assignments they are doing in class so you know if they are keeping up with their class work.

## ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES \& RULES:

- Eligibility report will be created on Monday or the first day of the school week.
- Students failing any classes will be considered ineligible beginning the day following the completion of the eligibility report. (If report is created Monday, eligibility will begin Tuesday and end Monday of the following week.
- Students will be notified of eligibility status the day of the eligibility report. Parents will receive eligibility notices via email/call. Students will receive a copy of their grade sheet.
- Ineligible students cannot attend MS/HS KSHSAA, SCBL or school sponsored activities until the new eligibility report shows the student passing all classes.
- Coaches will decide if ineligible students are able to practice with the team. While the student is ineligible, the student will not travel with the team.
Teachers are available from 7:40-8:00, seminar and 3:30-3:50 daily. Students are expected to make arrangements to meet with a teacher before/after school, seminar or arrange for additional time if needed. *Students are required to attend a mandatory Wednesday night study session (3:30-4:20). Students who are concerned or have questions about their grades are encouraged to contact their teacher(s).


## CELL PHONE POLICY

Students are doing a great job with this... During class, students can contact teachers or office for permission to visit with parents if needed. We have telephones in the classrooms and office.

MS students will NOT be allowed to have their cell phones during school day. Students will be allowed to bring cell phones to school but are required to put phones in lockers or classroom pockets by the 8:00 bell. Students MAY NOT use phones during school time 8:00-3:30. Students may get phones after 3:30 bell to use after school or for activities.

High School students may use cell phones before school, during lunch, after school and during passing time. Any other time their cell phones will be turned off unless requested by a staff member. Exceptions will be approved by the administration.

Teachers and Administrators reserve the right see a student's cell phone to check for compliance. Failure to do so will result in:
*1 $1^{\text {st }}$ time - phone will be confiscated and taken to office. Student may retrieve after school.
*2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ time - phone will be confiscated and taken to office. Student will serve one detention. Only the parent may retrieve their child's phone.
${ }^{*}{ }^{\text {rd }}$ time - phone will be confiscated and taken to office. Student will receive one day ISS. Only the parent may retrieve their child's phone. Student may not bring a cell phone to school for the rest of the semester.
*Incidents over 3 times will be handled individually by the principal.
*Any illegal use of the cell phone will be turned over to the sheriff or legal authority. Due to the enormous time spent on stolen electronic devices, the school will NOT investigate

## EXPECTED STUDENT CONDUCT

All students attending Flinthills Middle/High School shall:

1. Be respectful, courteous and cooperative with all teachers, staff, and classmates
2. Be on time as defined by the teacher
3. Be ready to work with all needed materials
4. Be dismissed by a teacher (not by the bell)
5. Not disrupt the learning environment of others
6. Conduct personal business on their own time
7. Not abuse, deface, litter, or damage school property
8. Not take school property or property of others
9. Not bring food or drink into the classrooms
10. Be in class during class time

We have GREAT kids and are hoping to help prepare them for tomorrow. Our Flinthills Middle/High School Mission is to:

- Assure a safe, positive learning environment.
- Provide a well-rounded curriculum.
- Promote academic excellence.
- Recognize individual differences and needs.
- Provide opportunities for involvement by all students.
- Develop pride in self, school, and community.
- Lead the way to successful citizenship and lifelong learning.


## Student Employee of the Month Kody Mooney



## Kody Mooney was selected as

Employee of the Month for the Prospect

Vocational
Program.
WAY TO GO!!!



## VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY MONDAY, NOV. 11TH 10:00 AM at FHS

We will host our annual Veterans Day Assembly on Monday, November 11 th at 10:00 AM in the Flinthills High School auditorium. The community is invited to attend this tribute to our nation's heroes, our veterans.

Festivities will begin promptly at 10:00 AM, so come early to see the students' exhibits and stay for lunch. Lunch for our veterans is free and $\$ 3.85$ for family members and patrons. Contact Leesa Smith in the high school office

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\text { at 620-476-2215 by November } 1^{\text {st }} \text { for your lunch reservation. }
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This year we are expanding our tribute to our Veterans. We will have a 1943 Jeep and a 1967 Kaiser Jeep Ambulance (MASH) Unit on display out in the parking lot during the morning. Patrons will be allowed to explore these.

If you have any pictures of you or your loved one in their uniform, please contact Karen Hinnen so they can be included in the slide show presentation.


# Same Old Science with a <br> New Instructional Approach 

Mr. Vancil, one of the two new High School/Middle School science teachers, has brought to USD492 a different approach to learning science. It is called the "The Modeling Instructional Program" that was developed collaboratively between high school science teachers and Arizona State University's department of Educational Research.

## What is Modeling?

Keeping brevity in mind, Modeling is an instructional approach where content is emphasized less and the process of doing science is more emphasized. Instead of students learning primarily from books, power points, and lectures, the students conduct one or more experiments and ascertain the content knowledge from analyzing the data. Modeling is a lot less focused on memorizing information and more on thinking and problem solving. Below is a comparison between traditional instruction and modeling.

| Modeling | vs. | Traditional |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| cooperative Inquiry | vs. | lecture/demonstration |
| student-centered | vs. | teacher-centered |
| active engagement | vs. | passive reception |
| student activity | vs. | teacher demonstration |
| student articulation | vs. | teacher presentation |

## How do we know it works?

Below are the data from a multiple year study conducted on 7500 students. Some of the students were taught with traditional instructional methods. Some with novice Modelers defined as the teacher having 2 years or less experience with Modeling. The rest we taught by experienced Modelers defined as having more that two years experience.


A standard Force Concepts Inventory (FCI) was used. Students were given the FCI at the beginning of the year as the pre-test. At the end of the year the same FCI was given as the protest. The students in the Modeling Instructional program better retains the learned material than students in the traditional group.

## Exemplary Curriculum

In 2001 the Modeling Physics curriculum was given an exemplary rating by the US Department of Education. It was one of only two US curriculums to receive that rating and the first High School program to receive this highest rating.

## Promise

I will always do my best to help all students grow as independent learners, to do research and process the information and conceptually understand scientific concepts and not just memorize information for a test.

Alan L. Vancil


## FHS HOMECOMLNG



SOPHOMORE CLASS


JUNIOR CLASS


SENIOR CLASS


FRESHMEN CLASS


## Homecoming Candidates

From top left: Nyah Brown, Sarah Hinnen, \& Janea Totty. Front from left: Issac Bugner, Justus Humig, \& Philip Humig


