



Flinthills Flyer

USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

January 2021

FHS ACTORS QUALIFY FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION!



In November, four FHS Theatre Department performers competed in Solo Acting at the Texas/Oklahoma/Kansas Tri-State Theatre Conference. The conference was virtual due to Covid restrictions, so the FHS Acting entries were recorded using a green screen background and sent electronically to a panel of professional judges. Actors are judged on such skills as transitions, objective tactics, vocal intonation, subtext, integration of body, and believable character relationships.

Morgan Holcomb, Savannah McCreight and Kaily Gilman scored a “Superior” Rating to advance to the prestigious International Thespian Festival Competition held June 22-25th at the University of Indiana. Madilynn Thomas scored an “Excellent” Rating which was just points shy of advancing.

Morgan also submitted an audition performance video to the Tri-State conference and received 23 callbacks for college scholarship offers from universities such as Louisiana State University, Wichita State University, DePaul University, Kansas State University, The University of Mobile, The American Academy of Dramatic Arts (AMDA), Sterling College, Emporia State University, The University of Oklahoma, Hussian College of Los Angeles, The University of Central Missouri, Tabor College, Theatre of Arts Hollywood, and The Atlantic Acting School as well as others.

Congratulations, Morgan!

-Mrs. Julie McCreight



Mrs. Sangals Awarded Grant to Attend International Conference

Manhattan, KS — Ms. Kristin Sangals, Title 1 instructor at Flinthills Intermediate School, USD 492, Rosalia, was recently awarded a \$500 Teacher Scholarship by the Kansas Association of American Educators (KANAAE), a non-union professional educators’ association serving Kansas educators. Ms. Sangals will be using the funds to attend an online 2-day International Dyslexia Conference.

The winners of the KANAAE Teacher Scholarships and Classroom Grants are selected by a committee of their peers from across Kansas. All educators are encouraged to apply.

A message from Mr. Boldra

January is School Board Recognition Month in Kansas and, on behalf of the Flinthills School District, I would like to thank our local leaders for devoting their time to supporting public education and serving our schools.

First and foremost, the Board of Education serves children. They also represent their community and face complex and demanding challenges, yet few people fully understand the scope and far-reaching implications of their responsibilities. They truly make a difference every day.

Their job is to establish a vision for the education program, design a structure to achieve that vision, assure schools are accountable to the community, and strongly advocate continuous improvement in student learning.

That job entails at least one monthly board meeting and school functions to attend; reams of reports, agendas, proposals, and other information to read and study; and a host of difficult decisions to make.

Our board is determined to push our school district toward world class status. Even though we are making a special effort in January to show appreciation to our board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. We applaud their willingness to serve as advocates for our children and the voice of public education.

Our current Flinthills Board members include:

Justin Grunder

Katie Hinde

Grant Harder

Travis Holcomb

Josh McNary

Melissa Scribner

Curtis Willhite

In recognition of their service, I invite you to make a special effort to tell each school board member that his or her hard work, dedication and commitment of time has been noticed and is truly appreciated and valued.

We'd Like to Recognize...

December - MS Student of the Month

Harlee Randall

Parents – Derek & Becky Randall

Hobbies – Playing volleyball, riding horses, and hanging out with my friends

Activities – Volleyball, basketball, track, cheer

Favorite Class - Band



December – HS Student of the Month

Austin Mantanona

Parents – Deedra & Luis Mantanona

Hobbies – Fishing and playing video games

Activities – Football, Wrestling, Baseball, Theatre and STUCO

Favorite Class - Government

1st Semester Honor Roll

Flinthills Intermediate School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Fifth Grade: Coltin Dragoo, Kaleb Grunder, Garrett Jackson, Newell Marsh, Harley Wright

Fourth Grade: Ellis Marshall, Rylee Randall

Third Grade: Kinley Carr, Brentley Decker, Victoria Dennis, Stella Edwards, Aubree Hays, Hollis Hebert, Reece Jackson, Gabriel LaRue, Emmerine Marsh, Rhett Mast, Jacoby Miner, Luke Parker, Noah Riemann, Nolan Riemann, Julie Sterbenz, Gleb Taylor, Makinsey Waller

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Fifth Grade: James Corter, Ty Finley, Ariana Johnson, Adrienne Riemann, Alli Sutter, Kendall Wilson, Taylor Wood

Fourth Grade: Trip Bohnen, Alayah Bowlin, Makayla Caravantes, Dane Edwards, Kavin Flores, Elijah Fulkerson, Ellie Kreidler, Jacob Scribner, Koleson Swafford, Remington Waller, Isabella Wight

Third Grade: Isidro Alvarez, Kaydence Burling, Ian Forbes, Nathan Town

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

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

Fourth Grade: A.J. Bertsch, Caleb Jones, Aiden Sharp, Cory Wells

Flinthills Middle School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Eighth Grade: Jacob Mead, Kyle Parker, Harlee Randall, Emily Scribner

Seventh Grade: Jolienne Dragoo, Karynn Gleason, Brylee Heimgartner, Ataya Nesser, Yeva Nikolskaya-Taylor, Keira Poston, Mason Randall

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Eighth Grade: Tagen Carney, Addison Cartmell, Paige Corter, Konner Griffith, Kodee Pinkerton, Rylie Wight, Tylan Willard

Seventh Grade: Levi Beard, Kylea Jones, Alex Scribner, Jaxon Swafford

Sixth Grade: Emma Anderson, Charli Bohnen, Nilari Cabugo, Kolter Flores, Ember Kinning, Talon Scribner

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

Eighth Grade: Hannah Bailey, Cali Crossfield, Cameryn Finley, Karsyn Flores, Helaina Griffin, Noah Lacey, Lilly McNary, Brooke Wilson

Seventh Grade: Taylor Brown, Zack Brown, Parker Chambers, Katelyn Corter, Jake Hunter, Miah Jaquez

Sixth Grade: Cole Beard, Jordyn Finley, Peyton Wight

Flinthills High School

Principals Honor Roll: 4.0 GPA

Seniors: Reagan Heimgartner, Morgan Holcomb, Matison Totty

Juniors: Riggin Carney, Megan Clark, Alexis Hatvick, Jonathan McCreight, Savannah McCreight, Jessie Mooney

Sophomores: Madison Alvord, Karly Girty, Hailey Hall, Adley Humig, Laura Scribner

Freshmen: Amanda Brown, Callie Cordts, Riley Garcia, Yana Nikolskaya-Taylor, Sydney Sorum

Black Honor Roll: 3.99-3.5 GPA

Seniors: Landon Lamb, Lauren Rose, Chloe Wieckhorst

Juniors: Trena Garcia, Gavin Girty, Brandon Gleason, Jackson Houseman, Josh Schultz, Dawson Sharp, Cael Sorum, Emma Weber

Sophomores: Kaily Gilman, Philip Harris, Larrissa Lakin, Taren Lakin, Hunter Lowmaster, Madilynn Thomas

Freshmen: Wyatt Beard, Taylor Chambers, Alexa Hardin, Abbigale Hilyard, Kolby Holcomb, Danica Leis, Kolton Stanfield, Javin Weis

Red Honor Roll: 3.49-3.0 GPA

Seniors: Bailey Bugner, Heaton Griffin, Layton Rose, Alexa Snyder

Juniors: Tabitha Brown, Whitney Mantanona, Kody Mooney, Dusty Schafer, Kayley Smith, Cooper Studebaker

Sophomores: Nate Becker, Josh Hunter, Hayli Newman, Megan Rose, Zach Thomas

Freshmen: Joey Becker, Anthony Jaquez, Willow Kane, Tate Leslie, Kianna Mantanona, Jace Newman, Conner Sigg

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

Happy 2021 Mustang friends and families. I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas break and enjoyed some time with friends and loved ones. I enjoyed time with my family especially during the snowfall we all had on the first of January.

Last week, toward the end of staff development time, I introduced our Middle and High School staff to the "Growth Mindset" book by Carol S. Dweck Ph.D. Dr. Dweck is a world renowned Stanford University psychologist. She believes after decades of research she discovered a simple but groundbreaking idea: the power of mindset. Dr. Dweck believes, "people with a fixed mindset-those who believe that abilities are fixed-are less likely to flourish than those with a growth mindset-those who believe that abilities can be developed."

An example of a fixed mindset would say, "I'm not good at math". Having a growth mindset would say, "Math isn't my best subject but I will continue to try hard to improve." Sometimes just the way we think about things can help change our attitude about a challenge. When we put a good attitude and effort into something, improvement and higher achievement can be attained.

As we begin the second semester, my desire would be to see all of our students continue to grow and achieve in their academics but also in the way they believe in themselves.



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Flinthills Mustangs Counselor's Corner

January 2021

New Year's Resolutions For Families

Individual resolutions are easy to give up on because they're all about you in a world where you're focused on taking care of everyone else. So families, why not try making resolutions as a group this year? See the best New Year's resolutions to make as a family in the new year. They can be fun, painless, and are sure to benefit your entire household.

- “Unplug” more. Set a goal of spending one day a week, or even one day a month, together, totally unplugged from television, cell phones, and video games.
- Eat well. Involved the whole family with making healthy meals. Make it fun with trying new recipes. Make a goal of eating out less and eating at home more.
- Add more activity to your family time. Exercise is easier to do with a group, so participate as a family. Even just a walk together after dinner helps.
- Read! Pull out old books you haven't read together in awhile. Make it a contest of who can read the most in a week.
- Create a chore chart. Spread the responsibility of household chores among family members.
- Be good to others. Have a refresher on manners led by example. Participate in community outreach.
- Get more sleep! Set a well structured and organized bedtime routine and stick to it!

UPDATES

Event 1
1/12-KCTC Survey

Event 2
1/12-Military Visit

Event 3
1/26-PSAT/NMSQT test
This is an optional test for 10th and 11th graders. This is the test to qualify as a National Merit Scholar. The cost is \$16. Students may pay and sign up in the office if interested.



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Check out the Counseling Department page on our Flinthills school website for more information about our counseling department!

Classes—Where the Learning Begins



Intermediate Music Classes Present Their Concert

The Intermediate Vocal program was held on December 8. The 3rd grade class opened the concert with a selection of holiday songs ending, with a spirited rendition of “Santa Claus is Comin’ to Town.”

Next up was 4th grade with some of their favorite Christmas pieces. They closed their portion of the concert with “Silent Night” featuring Koleson Swafford on piano and the entire class performing in Sign Language.

Fifth grade featured ensemble performances by Ty Finley, Coltin Dragoo, Kaleb Grunder, Newell Marsh, Andromeda Coats, Ariana Johnson, Kendall Wilson and Taylor Wood. The 5th grade showed off their creativity with their version of the “12 Days of Christmas,” where Santa brought them such things as an X-Box Series X, three Chief’s Tickets, five Onion Rings, and ten Candy Bars.

All three grades joined together to end the concert with a medley of traditional Christmas music.

-Mrs. Tresa Garcia

Pictures by Melissa Scribner



Speech Class Shares Knowledge through Demonstrations



The FHS Speech Class ended their semester with educational demonstrations. As pictured, Kolby Holcomb taught how to saddle a horse and Jonathan Thomas demonstrated making cherry cheesecake. Sydney Sorum gave us a new cultural experience by teaching the process of making a Nordic family favorite called Krumkake.

Other presentation subjects included: Coco Clusters, How to Shoot a Free Throw, Cookie Balls, Playing the Guitar, Brownies, Slideshow Special Effects, Edible Cookie Dough, Throwing a Football, No-Bake Cookies, Homemade Hot Chocolate, Mastering Calligraphy, and Peanut Butter Sandwich Variations.

-Mrs. Julie McCreight



Middle School Performs Virtual Christmas Play

Many 6th and 7th grade students experienced a new adventure in December when they prepared and filmed "Santa's Workshop's GOT TALENT" by Lavinia Roberts in Drama Class. They learned to produce a show on Zoom with green screen backdrops. It was a whole new approach to performance. The show was then posted on the Flint-hills Website so all family and friends could watch!

The cast included: Holly-Taylor Brown; Mistletoe-Alex Scribner; Santa Claus-Hunter Davis; Mrs. Claus-Katelyn Corter; Ruby-Nilari Cabugo; Jingle-Chloe Grabast; Bell-Jordyn Finley; Jack Frost-Talon Scribner; Snow Queen-Kylea Jones; Merry-Charli Bohnen; Joy-Jordyn Finley; Jolly-Chloe Grabast; Tinsel-Kolter Flores; Donner-Neveah Sultz; Blitzen-Cole Beard; Vixen-Tripp Carney; Dasher-Jacob Hudson; Prancer-Dallas Griffith; Cupid-Charli Bohnen; Ginger-Jacob Kane; Cookie-Emma Anderson; and Sugar Plum-Dallas Griffith.

-Mrs. Julie McCreight



Classes—Where the Learning Begins

MS/HS Bands and Choirs Present an Evening of Music

To open the program, the Middle School Choir sang their songs from the history of Country Music with Kyle Parker playing the drumset.

“Will the Circle Be Unbroken”

“Salty Dog”

“Ghost Riders in the Sky”

“Blue Suede Shoes”

“Walkin’ After Midnight”

“Mama Tried

“Song of Joy”

The High School Choir and some of the MS choir danced to “Blue Suede Shoes.” Then, all of the Middle School Choir danced the Electric Slide to Glenn Campbell’s “Rhinestone Cowboy.”



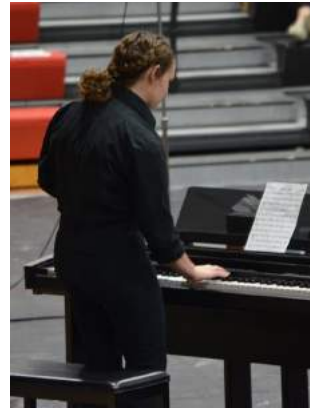
The High School choir sang “Sleigh Ride” and then “Frozen 2.”



Pictures by
Melissa Scribner



The Middle School and High School Bands showed off some of their pep band songs:
 “Ace in the Hole”
 “Land of 1000 Dances”
 “Louie, Louie”
 “Walkin’ and Talkin’”
 “Bang Bang”
 “Counting Stars”



The musical evening ended with all members of the choirs and bands joining with the audience to sing and play *Christmas Pop Sing-a-long* including “Santa Claus is Coming to Town,” “Silver Bells,” “Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer,” and “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas.” Senior Reagan Heimgartner directed the audience while Mrs. Grover directed the students.
 -Mrs. Joan Grover

Computer Apps Class Goes Beyond “Just Typing”

Sixth and Seventh Grade students in Mr. Sorum’s Computer Apps class begin with learning to type, but their computer skills don’t stop there. They reinforce their typing skills daily and are learning about user email—how to form groups, how to communicate properly, etc.

During the first semester, the students also learned how to make a Google slide presentation titled “All About Me.” In it they learned how to do translations (moving things from one document to a slide), how to embed music, and how to move things from one slide to another.

After they had these skills, Mr. Sorum moved them on to doing something for the school. They made Google slides for the Sports Awards as well as digital rosters. The pictures in this Flyer for the Sports Awards were made by the Computer Apps class. After each student made the awards slides, the class voted on them and chose the ones with the most votes to publish. You can see them on the school’s Facebook page, the school’s webpage, and the TV’s in the Commons Area at the High School.

This is Mr. Sorum’s first year of teaching Computer Apps.



ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

S.A.F.E. Uses Fun to Teach Safety

Students at Flinthills are well aware of the annual Governor’s One Shot Turkey Hunt held in El Dorado every April. The FHS SAFE students took this idea and created their own SAFE One-Shot Turkey Hunt with a twist!

Students wore “Drunk Goggles” and used a Nerf gun to shoot at “turkeys.” Male staff members graciously agreed to don turkey costumes and be moving targets for students.

The drunk goggles are available for SAFE students to borrow from the state. They come in different levels of “intoxication” and are invaluable for educating teens in an entertaining way.

Other games included a True or False game which taught students about the effects of alcohol consumption and the Drunk Goggle Scooter Race where participants wore the goggles while pushing one another on scooters in a timed event. Josh Hunter & Larissa Lakin ended up being the 2020 Turkey Hunt Champs. -Mrs. Michal Austin



Ugly Sweater Day

Ugly Sweater Day has become a tradition at Flinthills. Staff & students are encouraged to don their ugliest sweater and enjoy the comradery that comes with the shared experience. We always enjoy seeing what staff & students come up with.



Twelve Days of SAFE Christmas

SAFE celebrated the 12 Days of SAFE Christmas this year with 12 days of activities designed to promote awareness of activities to keep students SAFE this holiday season. SAFE (Seatbelts Are For Everyone) is a state funded club that focuses on peer education. Students are encouraged to sign pledge cards stating they will buckle up, not text & drive, and to drive safely.

On the **FIRST** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Keep Calm & Drive Calm. Keeping calm while driving is key to focusing. Avoid road rage! Brandon Gleason pledged to drive calm & won a mood lamp.

On the **SECOND** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Take 5 and Buckle Up. Taking 5 seconds to buckle up could save your life! Jonathan McCreight, Tabby Brown, Emma Weber, Trena Garcia & Matison Totty each won a 3-pack of 5 gum.

On the **THIRD** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Drive SAFE but just in case.... Having emergency supplies on hand is always a good idea! Kaily Gilman won a first aid kit to keep in her car.

On the **FOURTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Don't Text & Drive. Don't be a statistic! Put your phone away! Jonathan Thomas pledge to put down his phone & won a \$15 McDonald's gift card.

On the **FIFTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Do a 360 before you leave your driveway. Walk all the way around your car to make sure it's SAFE to drive. Check your tire pressure and amount of tread. Savannah McCreight won an emergency car kit for her pledge.

On the **SIXTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Do-Nut eat and drive. The entire high school was encouraged to focus on the road with morning donuts.

On the **SEVENTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

You don't just affect yourself when you drive. You affect your entire community! Accidents affect more than just you. You affect your entire community. If you make reckless decisions everyone pays. Kody Schafer was the winner with a Mustang hoodie from STUCO.

On the **EIGHTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Make sure your phone is always charged in case of emergency. You never know when you'll need to call someone for assistance! Adley Humig won a phone charger.

On the **NINTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Watch for Reindeer. Deer are everywhere! Keep your eyes not only on the road but on the ditches so the deer don't surprise you!

On the **TENTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

It's Ugly Sweater Weather. Bundle up when it's cold cause you never know!

On the **ELEVENTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Hats off to SAFE driving. Pledge to drive SAFE and you can wear your hat to school!

On the **TWELFTH** day of SAFE Christmas our SAFE team game to me:

Don't drive sleepy. Make sure to get plenty of sleep before driving! If you're sleepy pull over and take a nap. Students enjoyed this day by wearing pajamas & hot cocoa before school.



ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

Scholars Bowl

The Flinthills High School Scholars Bowl team attended their second meet of the season December 7, at Udall. Yana Taylor, Conner Sigg and Kaily Gilman competed in JV. Varsity team members were Trena Garcia, Alexis Hatvick, Savannah McCreight, Jessie Mooney and Laura Scribner. Varsity had only one loss for the night and walked away with first place. Congratulations to all team members!

-Mrs. Tresa Garcia



CASSODAY BOOSTERS 4-H—#Opportunity4all

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H club participated in several community outreach programs in December.

Members made 75 blue appreciation bags filled with snacks. They delivered the bags to the Butler County Sheriff's Department to thank them for all they do.



For Christmas the club donated to the Flinthills Christmas Family project and purchased toys and other items for the Butler County Extension office Christmas drive to benefit SCARF.

On December 13, following their monthly meeting, the Cassoday Boosters went Christmas caroling.



If you are interested in 4-H, there is still time to join for the 2020-2021 year. Please contact Tresa Garcia at garciatresa@gmail.com for more information.

-Mrs. Tresa Garcia

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS



We'd Like to Recognize...

January MS Student of the Month

Alex Scribner

Parents – Junilda and Daniel Scribner

Hobbies – Riding horses and hanging out with Joliene, Yeva, and Brylee

Activities – Volleyball, basketball, pep band, Showdeo, and softball

Favorite Class - Band



January HS Student of the Month

Jessie Mooney

Parent – Julie Mooney

Hobbies – Sports and watching Netflix

Activities – Scholars Bowl, Math Relays, Softball, Wrestling, and SAFE

Favorite Class - Math



December/January Middle/High School Employee of the Month

Steve Clark was selected as the December Employee of the Month. Mr. Clark has been a Special Education Teacher at Flinthills for four out of the last five years. We were fortunate to get him back this year after he was in El Dorado last year.

Mr. Clark does an excellent job working with high-incidence kids. He always brings a calm demeanor to every situation and a faith in kids that is inspiring. He is always professional, a team player, and a tremendous advocate for kids.

Mr. Clark is also serving as our high school boys' assistant basketball coach, and he does a great job there as well. Mr. Clark is a true asset to Flinthills. Mr. Clark will receive a certificate and a Flinthills Jacket.



ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

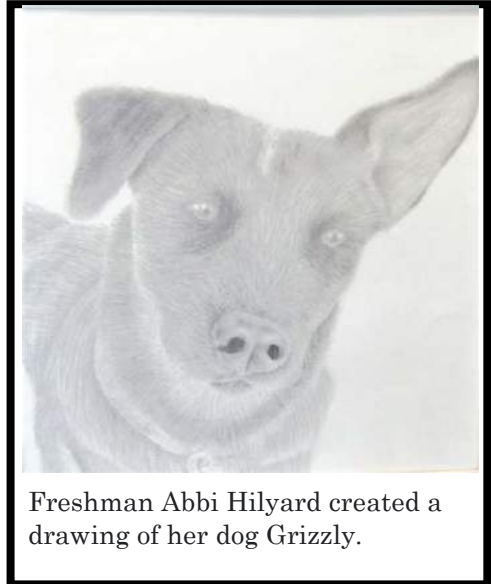
Art Students Enter Competition

The Scholastic Art Show is a National art competition held yearly. Students submit their artwork digitally to be judged. If they rate Honorable Mention their artwork will be displayed at the regional level.

If students receive a gold or silver key their artwork will be on display at Mark Arts in Wichita. Gold Key winners are automatically sent on to compete nationally, while Silver Keys are again judged to compete at the national level. There are also several different special competitions held within the overall show.

Flinthills has 6 students competing to show at the regional level this year. If you wish to see the show you can visit at Mark Arts, 1307 N Rock Rd, Wichita. The Eastern Kansas Scholastic Art Awards will be on view at Mark Arts Friday, February 12 - Saturday, March 27, 2021. Mark Arts galleries are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and are free to the public.

All of these young artists exhibit a lot of creativity and talent! They will find out on January 15 how they did.
-Michal Austin



Freshman Abbi Hilyard created a drawing of her dog Grizzly.



Freshman Amanda Brown entered a drawing of Jenna Fisher with two "prop" drawings, as well as a large 2020 mask created out of 9 smaller masks.



Eighth Graders Addison Cartmell (left) and Cali Crossfield (right) each drew a portrait.



Freshman Joey Becker is competing with his ceramic piece titled "Trump".

Freshman Taylor Sutton drew a large portrait of Grandma Gertrude.

Sports News

Outstanding Volleyball and Football Athletes Are Recognized



Reagan Heimgartner
Volleyball Senior #10
SCBL All-League
Honorable Mention



Tucker Travnichek
Football Senior #4
SCBL All-League
2nd Team Defense



Morgan Holcomb
Volleyball Senior #9
SCBL All-League
2nd Team
1A Eastern KS Volleyball
Honorable Mention



Cael Sorum
Football Junior #84
SCBL All-League
2nd Team Offense
SCBL All-League
2nd Team Defense



Karly Girty
Volleyball Sophomore #31
SCBL All-League
1st Team
1A Eastern KS Volleyball
Honorable Mention



Awards Pictures by the
Computer Apps Class.

Sports News

Middle School Basketball Starts Strong

Covid has affected basketball somewhat requiring all of us to be flexible--we have had fans in the stands, (parents only) and then empty gyms, and then back to fans in the stands. The most important part is that the kids are playing.

Even though the Middle school basketball teams have had games altered so far, all but one have been made up with a plan on trying to get that one caught up before the end of the season.

The boys are a young team and have had some tough competition, but they have looked really good. The Varsity Boys started out 2-3 before Christmas with the B team 5-0. With a few kids missing out of games due to quarantine, illness, etc., it has been tough to work the lineup around, but Coach Hunter has done a great job with his young team.

The very experienced girls have had a great start; with 5 starting 8th graders they are expected to do well. We have started out with a 5-0 varsity record and the B team with some younger new talent has gone 4-0 also. These kids are great to work with and I love their enthusiasm for the game.

Thanks to all the patrons for checking in and watching them on Facebook Live still giving them support even in crazy times.

-Coach Sorum



Playing Basketball in a Different Type of Season

There have been plenty of firsts in basketball this year. We no longer have jump balls to start the games. We wear masks on the sidelines. We also do not have near the fans in the stands that we are used to having at our games. These are just a few of the many sacrifices that our players, parents, and community have made to make sure that the season goes on.

The Lady Mustangs are off to a slow start this year. We only return one player -Riggin Carney-who had a significant amount of playing time on last year’s varsity team. With the corona virus quarantines and mandatory 2 week break this year for Christmas, it has been a challenge getting everyone up to speed on what we are trying to accomplish. We have made great strides the last few weeks and, currently, the Varsity is 3-5 on the season and the JV is 1-3.

We have 3 seniors on the team: Morgan Holcomb, Reagan Heimgartner, and Matison Totty. We only have one junior: Riggin Carney. We have quite a few sophomores: Karly Girty, Hailey Hall, Taren Lakin, Larissa Lakin, Laura Scribner, Madilynn Thomas, and Madison Alvord. We have two freshmen on the team: Sydney Sorum and Danica Leis. We have two new fantastic managers: Callie Cordts and Taylor Sutton

At this point in the season, we are sitting 5th in the league and have our league tournament the week of January 18th. We wish we could have all of you in the stands cheering us on. We do stream all our games on the Flinthills USD 492 Facebook page. -Coach Monty Melugin



Current team leaders:

Points per game	Riggin Carney (10.4)	Morgan Holcomb (5.9)	Madison Alvord (5.3)
Rebounds per game	Karly Girty (6.6)	Riggin Carney (4.4)	Morgan Holcomb (4.0)
Steals per game	Riggin Carney (2.5)	Karly Girty (1.9)	Reagan Heimgartner (1.3)



Pictures by Melissa Scribner

FHS THEATRE PRESENTS FRENCH TOAST and **A Little Princess**

Drama students performed the Fall Production of two contrasting I Act Plays on December 5th and 6th.... Finally! After a Covid Delay of Remote Learning, cast and crew pulled together to perform a comedic farce sure to make everyone wonder whether they might be dreaming and a dramatic story of what it means to have the character of a true princess.

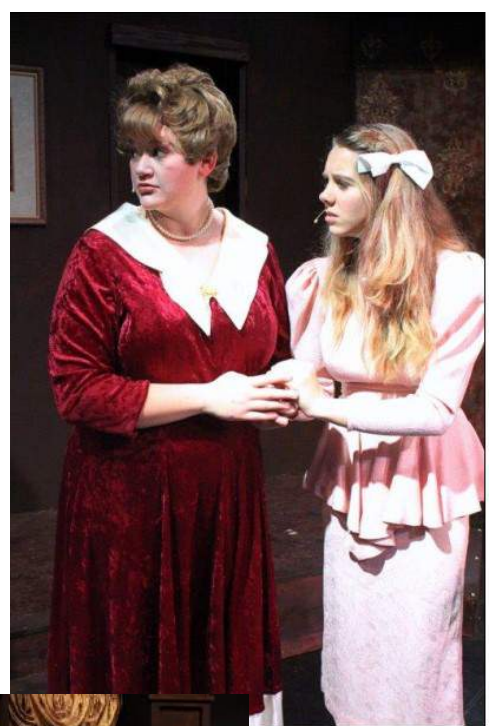
Mrs. McCreight says, "I have rarely been so proud of a cast and crew. They rehearsed with fellow actors on computer screens, and gave it their all to the very end."

-Mrs. McCreight

A Little Princess



FRENCH TOAST



Meet the FHS Fine Arts Department

Although she was born in North Hollywood, Michal Austin spent the majority of her school years in Denver and Sharon Springs, KS. She earned an Associates of Art degree from Butler and a Bachelor of Arts Education degree at Wichita State University. The year she graduated from college was the same year the Flinthills BOE voted to add an art department. She applied and was hired 27 years ago to start the new program. Her current assignment is 3-12 Visual Arts & HS CTE Visual Arts (Photoshop/Video Editing/Intro to Graphic Design/Photoshop).



Besides being a co-pilot for the Redesign, she also sponsors several clubs: TSA, SAFE, the Senior Class and the Stomping Grounds. Moreover, she is President of the local teacher association, a member of the PDC Committee, Technology Committee, Negotiating Committee, TSA State Advisory Committee, Fun Committee, and sponsoring the Washington D.C. trip.

She has presented at International Technology Conferences in Colorado and California with Barb Anderson on Geocaching; the pair also presented in Georgia at a National Conference on Place-Based Learning. In addition, she has presented several times at various art and technology conferences at the state level.

In 2018, Mrs. Austin was nominated as the Flinthills' nominee for Kansas Teacher of the Year; in 2018-19, she was the Kansas TSA Advisor of the Year, and in 2020 she was recognized as the National Scholars' Teacher of Influence. In 1998, two of her students exhibited in the National Crayola Dreammakers Show; in both 2003 and 2004, she had lessons published by a nationally renowned author (Mary Ann Kohl) along with student artwork; and in 2020, two Middle School students received Honorable Mention in the High School Scholastic Art Show.

She lives in Potwin with Heath, her husband of 33 years. She enjoys sewing, geocaching, painting, and decorating her yard. She runs her own cake decorating business and co-manages a travel club with her husband. She considers her children (Audra and Cody), their spouses, and her three grandchildren among her biggest blessings.

Tresa Garcia teaches kindergarten through 5th grade music at Flinthills. She is a 1986 graduate of Flinthills High School and a 1991 graduate of Kansas State University. Tresa has been involved in music since she began piano lessons in 2nd grade and she started accompanying Flinthills music groups in 6th grade.

After college, Tresa worked as a restaurant manager before moving to Chicago where she met her husband, Genaro. Tresa and Genaro, along with their three children – Jeffrey, Trena and Riley – moved back to Kansas in 2006. Tresa worked as the school accompanist for eight years before moving into teaching.

In addition to teaching music, Tresa's other responsibilities include Spanish, Concessions and High School Scholars Bowl. Outside of school, Tresa keeps busy playing the piano and organ for her church and assisting with her church youth group and other activities. She is also the community leader for the Cassoday Boosters 4-H club, is an adult sponsor of the Butler County 4-H Council, and serves on the Butler County Program Development Committee for Family and Consumer Science.



Joan Grover has been making music since she started piano lessons at four years old. She graduated from Ransom High School in western Kansas where she was involved in every aspect of the music department. She has earned three degrees from Fort Hays University: a Bachelor of Arts degree emphasizing piano performance, a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Education, and a Master of Liberal Studies with an emphasis on teaching instrumental music.



Ms. Grover has been a professional accompanist since 1972 and began teaching piano lessons in 1974. While raising her children as a single parent, she taught English at the Middle School, High School, and College levels and was the Economic Development Director of Stockton.

She has played keyboards and saxophone in various bands ranging from a country-western/polka band to a rock band. Her best memory was with the band *Code Blue* when they got to be the warm-up band for Lulu Roman from *Hee Haw* and then, later, for Charlie Daniels. She has been a studio musician as well as a classical performer. She currently plays piano at her church.

As a conductor, she enjoys giving her students opportunities to participate/compete in venues around the country. Her bands consistently bring home I ratings from KSHSAA's State Contest, once earning 239 out of the 240 points possible. Additionally, she has taken bands to multi-state competitions in Colorado, Missouri, and Texas, consistently bringing home 1st place trophies. The highlight was their double win at the Big "D" Festival in Dallas where Ms. Grover's band won 1st place in their division and 1st place overall for the weekend in the multi-state competition.

Ms. Grover was selected as the Choir Director for the *Youth for Music Choirs* in Concordia. She has been selected as the Outstanding Middle School Music Educator for two KMEA districts – Northwest and Northcentral. In 2020, she was selected as a Governor's Scholar Teacher of Influence.

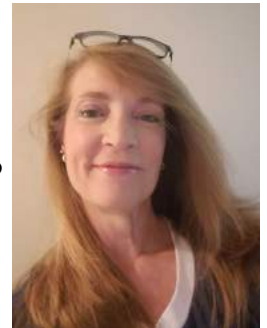
Ms. Grover moved to Augusta to be closer to her three sons and their families which include eight grandchildren ranging in age from 8 months to 18 years old. She enjoys reading, doing counted cross-stitch, playing the piano, and spending time with her family (especially her grandchildren, but don't tell her sons).

Julie Gray McCreight, our FHS & MS Theatre Director/Teacher, Forensics Coach, Speech Teacher and Intermediate Acting Teacher, has been guiding the theatre department here for nineteen years. FHS is familiar territory for her, as she is a 1984 Graduate of the Flinthills School District where she attended school for all 13 years. She completed her Bachelor of Arts in Theatre degree at Oklahoma City University, and her Teaching Certification and Master of Arts in Communications Degree at Wichita State University. For eight years, she taught at Goddard High School, but she and her husband returned to build a home on the family ranch 5 miles south of Rosalia.

Mrs. McCreight has directed 70 high school theatre productions, has taken the Forensics team to State Championships the last 8 years, and has enjoyed helping four actors receive top scores at Internationals.

She was named "Most Inspirational Teacher" by her Goddard Students, nominated to represent America at the High School Theatre Festival in Edinburgh Scotland, nominated as the Disney American Teacher, nominated as the Golden Apple Teacher, and chosen Flinthills' Kansas Teacher of the Year Representative.

She and her husband, Eric, of 26 years love spending time with their family, Javen (a junior at K-State) and Jonathan and Savannah (juniors at FHS). A great day in her life includes directing theatre all day, cooking dinner with her family, playing board games and watching a very fine movie together. She also loves to travel (somewhere preferably with a beach) and garden so she can eat delicious food and enjoy many beautiful plants and flowers!



Musicians Provide National Anthem

We've had to give up many things in this time of COVID, but we have not given up beginning our high school varsity events with the Star Spangled Banner. It has looked differently this year, however, because the pep band got to play for the first time on January 8 at a home basketball game. Our musicians have stepped up and made sure we always had a live performance of the Star Spangled Banner.

Dare Class of 2020

Throughout the fall semester, 5th graders participated in the D.A.R.E. program presented by Officer Dana Burns with the Butler County Sheriff's Department. Students learned how the D.A.R.E. decision making model can help them make good choices, especially in tough situations. Officer Burns also shared the main reasons people use drugs and some of the harmful consequences of drug and alcohol use. One of the things the 5th graders really enjoyed was when Officer Burns let them take a picture with his patrol car. After a little coaxing, they even talked him into turning on the sirens.

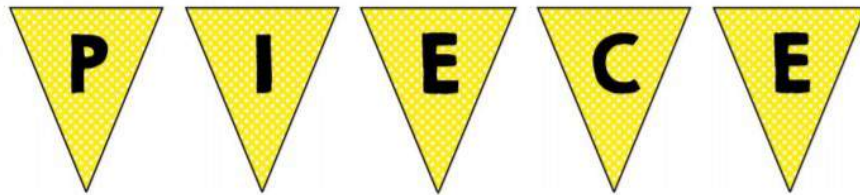
One of the requirements for graduating from the D.A.R.E. program was for each student to write an essay sharing what they took away from the lessons. These essays were judged by several staff members and Officer Burns for a classroom winner. Adrienne Riemann was selected as having the best essay and was awarded a medal for her hard work.

On Friday, December 11, the 5th graders were recognized by Officer Burns for all of their work in the program. We held a small graduation ceremony in the auditorium. Although parents were unable to attend in-person, it was live-streamed on Facebook. Before leaving, Officer Burns shared cupcakes and drinks with the class to celebrate their achievements. We would like to thank Officer Burns for his time and commitment to the people of Butler County and all of the sponsors of the D.A.R.E. program.





Parent's



Parent Information to Encourage Child Education

How to Help Your Child Be S.M.A.R.T about Goal Setting!

A new year is a great time to set new goals! When helping children set goals, it is important to encourage them to identify the goal and also be able to know when they have reached it! Try writing goals using the S.M.A.R.T. goal format! A S.M.A.R.T. goal is specific, measureable, attainable, realistic, and timely. For example, if your child is not completing his or her homework regularly, you might want to set a goal with your child regarding homework completion.

A goal like "hand in homework regularly" is not a S.M.A.R.T. goal. An example of a S.M.A.R.T. goal for homework completion might be to go at least one week without missing an assignment by January 31st. This goal gives a specific, measurable, attainable, and realistic task with a deadline so that both you and your child will know if he or she has reached the goal.

Once your child accomplishes the goal, you can help him or her adjust and set a new goal. You can assist your child in turning almost every goal into a S.M.A.R.T. goal, but remember that children often need help and support from adults to reach their goals. Below are some important tips on how parents can help their children to reach their goals:

- Have your child write down the goal he or she wants to achieve and hang it or put it somewhere he or she will see it regularly.
- Develop a plan with your child about how he or she is going to reach his or her goal. For the example above, you could set up a "homework time" every day.
- Reward your child for steps in the right direction and for accomplishing the goal.
- Be patient with your child when he or she does not reach his or her goal. Encourage your child to try again, and help your child adjust his or her goals when they become too easy or too difficult.
- Set a good example for your child by setting and writing down a S.M.A.R.T. goal for yourself. This may boost your child's self-esteem while also helping you to reach your goal at the same time!

Books about Goal Setting

Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats
Squirrel's New Year's Resolutions by Pat Miller
A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams
Ruby's Wish by Shirin Yim Bridges
Salt in His Shoes by Deloris Jordan
Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco

Flinthills Primary and Intermediate

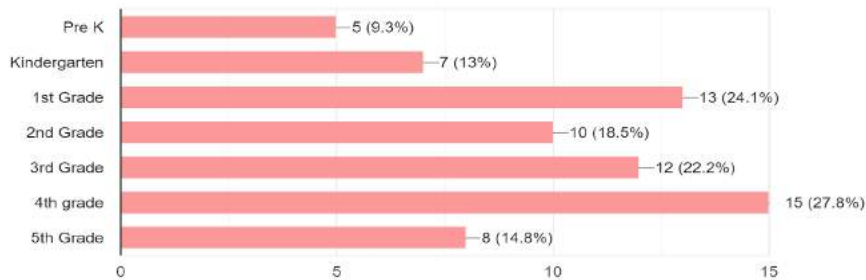
Letter from Mr. Gawith, the primary/intermediate principal....

I hope that everyone had a happy holiday break and that you were all able to reconnect with your families and friends. Those two weeks seem to go by quickly; however, I am always ready to get back to school.

It seems that this school year has been one of surveys. We appreciate all of you who have taken the time to go online and fill those out. We want to make your voice heard as we continue to work through these interesting times and as we work through the redesign process.

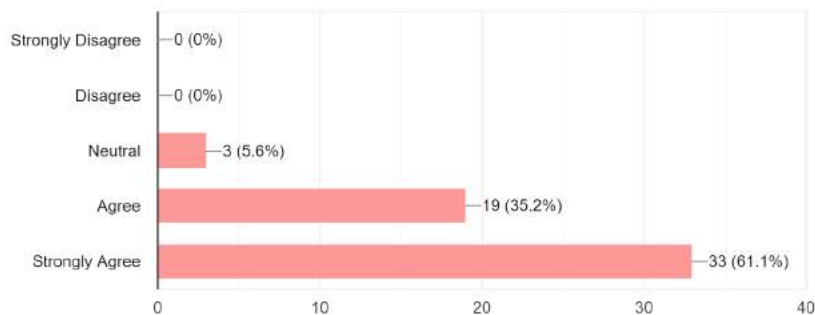
I would like to share some of the information that we gathered from our last survey. Fifty-four parents responded to the survey:

My child attends grade
54 responses



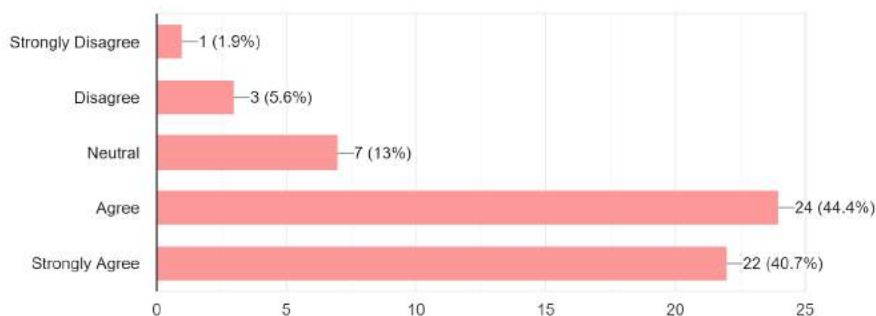
96% of respondents felt that social and emotional skills were important to school success.

I believe that social and emotional skills are related to students' academic success.
54 responses



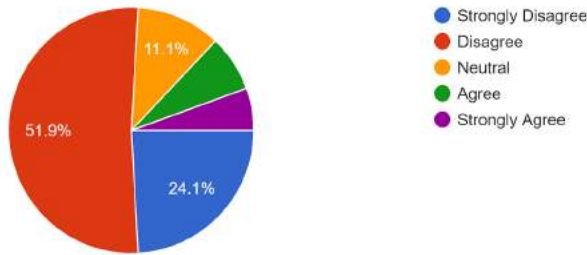
85% felt that their student had a positive attitude towards school.

My child has a positive attitude about going to school.
54 responses



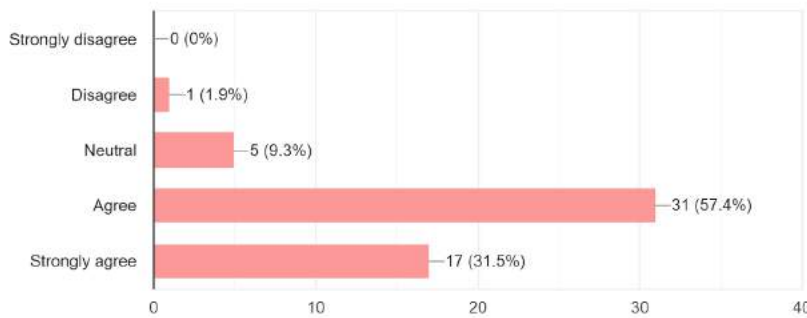
76% of the respondents are not concerned about their child’s social skills.

I am concerned about my child’s social skills.
54 responses



88% of the respondents felt the school communicates well with parents.

I believe my district regularly communicates with families about students’ academics and emotional development.
54 responses



While we are still breaking the data down with our team from KSDE I wanted to share the results. Be on the lookout for future surveys as we seek input from the community while we move through the redesign process.

We’d Like to Recognize...



Intermediate Student of the Month

Isidro Alvarez

3rd grade

Parents: Lila Alvarez and Grace Alvarez

Hobbies & Activities: Sports and doing multiplication with his teacher.

Favorite Classes: Art



It was all FUN & GAMES at the Primary School on Wednesday, 12/16/2020. The Pre-K had fun pinning the Gingerbread Man on the House, Kindergarten was busy Punching a Cup, 1st grade held their own in Bingo and 2nd graders were Rockin' around the Christmas Tree. Every class had so much fun celebrating this special time of year. A special thank you to all the parents that donated treats, drinks, party favors and helped out in the class room. From the Primary Students and Staff we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year!!!



Primary Music

Christmas Concert

The Primary Vocal program was held on December 14. The concert was opened by the Preschool class led by Sarah Grunder.

The Kindergarteners followed with a variety of Christmas songs, including their favorite, "The Reindeer Dance," otherwise known as "Rudolph Was a Cheeky Reindeer."

First grade shared several familiar holiday tunes. They particularly enjoyed "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer."

The second graders had a lot of fun with their program selections. They enjoyed learning and performing "Feliz Navidad," including original choreography. They also developed their own lyrics for "He'll Be Comin' Down the Chimney."

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades joined together to sing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" to close the program. -Mrs. Tresa Garcia



Pictures by Melissa Scribner



Shout Outs—12/4/20

A big shout out to Alana Holcomb for all of her help with feeding the play kids this week! –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to the SAFE students who put on an awesome Turkey Hunt program. The educational value of the activities helped inform our students on the dangers of drunk driving. I'm proud of all of the SAFE students who planned this great event! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Julie McCreight and the drama students for persevering through the last several weeks to bring us what proves to be another amazing show! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Joan Grover for another awesome flyer! –Michal Austin

Shout out to Matison Totty for designing & cutting vinyl for the girls' basketball shirts! –Michal Austin

Shout out to all the art students who are competing in the Scholastic Art Competition. You worked hard on your projects and they are phenomenal! Good luck! –Michal Austin

Shout out to the staff at Cassoday for being so flexible and understanding this week while I had to miss some work! And to our awesome subs; Erik, Debbie, and Tracy! - Halley Myrick.

Shout out to all the helpers with filming games so parents can see kids play, It's an important job and really appreciate those that really follow the game well. –Erik Sorum

Shout out to Stephanie Girty for all that she does for this district! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Coach Demel and the Wrestling team for beating Bluestem in a dual! Flinthills kids dominated duels at the dual! First dual Flinthills has won in many years! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Middle School Basketball team for getting a sweep against Altoona-Midway! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for decorating the Primary School. It looks wonderful and brings some Christmas joy to our building! ☐ –Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for bringing so much joy and laughter to our building! –Lisa Taylor

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for getting me pictures and always being a team player! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs 12-11-2020

Shout out to all the wrestlers and coaches for a very successful performance in our home tournament. –Erik Sorum

Shout out to Whitney and Rebecca for all the time and effort Mat Cleaning during the wrestling tournament last Saturday. –Erik Sorum

Shout out to all the parents and volunteers that helped run the tournament and provided food for hospitality room. –Erik Sorum

Shout out to Julie McCreight and the entire cast and crew for an awesome performance again this year! –Erik Sorum

Shout out to my 6th and 7th grade computer apps class for making the High School Volleyball / Football awards slides for the web. They are also working on digital rosters now. –Erik Sorum

Shout out to the district kitchen staff. They are diligent and flexible and always willing to go the extra mile to get the work done. Many thanks to Sheri, Debbie, Tana and LeNell for their dedication. -Kelli Davis

Shout Out to Erik Sorum for his AWESOME digital rosters he is creating and teaching in his MS Computer Apps class. – Mr. Casteel

Shout out to Patty Baker and Sandy Bell. Your assistance and dedication to our students throughout the Remote Learning Process (and in-person) before Thanksgiving was amazing. – Mr. Casteel

Shout out to the Staff for bringing such yummy food! -Joan Grover

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight and the play cast for putting on a great show in spite of the hurdles you faced. - Joan Grover

Shout out to Madilynn Thomas, Morgan Holcomb, Savannah McCreight and Kaily Gilman on your success in the Tri-State Theater Conference! You are great representatives for Flinthills! Congrats also to Morgan, Savannah & Kaily for qualifying for INTERNATIONALS! What an impressive feat! I am so proud of you all! – Michal Austin

Shout out to Karen Hinnen for washing the pan I forgot after goodie-table day! –Michal Austin

Shout out to all the students who have participated in the 12 Days of SAFE Christmas, and to the SAFE students who have stepped up & organized the activities. –Michal Austin

Shout out to all the staff members who have brought so many delicious goodies to help us bond & celebrate the holiday season together. –Michal Austin

Shout out to Janessa Jones for graduating from Ft. Hays State University today! –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Alana Holcomb for her help feeding the play kids last week. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to Alana Holcomb, Kerri and Ryan Smith, Stephanie Girty, and Amy Kidd for their help with the hospitality room at the wrestling tournament on Saturday. –Karen Hinnen

Shout out to the entire FHS Theatre Production cast and crew. What an amazing performance! - Michael Hunter

Shout out to following students on their induction into the National Honor Society: Riggin Carney, Trena Garcia, Philip Harris, Savannah McCreight, Cael Sorum, Kaily Gilman, Karly Girty, Adley Humig, Jessie Mooney, Madilynn Thomas, Alexis Hatvick, Brandon Gleason, Jonathan McCreight, & Laura Scribner. Great job! - Michael Hunter

Shout out to all the faculty and staff for bringing in all the Christmas Time treats. - Michael Hunter

Shout out to Mrs. Garcia and the Intermediate students for lifting Christmas spirits with their wonderful program! –Tammy Brown

Shout out to Mrs. Garcia for a great intermediate Christmas program. –Kristin Sangals

Shout out to the staff for providing wonderful food in the lounge this month. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to our students working hard and finishing the semester strong. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the intermediate students for demonstrating generosity and kindness to others. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the middle school students on a job well done in our social media safety lesson. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to all of the new NHS members. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the Senior NHS members on a great job leading the induction ceremony. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Leesa Smith for taking good care of our office staff. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to our custodial staff for their hard work in keeping our building safe and clean. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to our kitchen staff for their hard work in keeping everyone fed. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Stephanie Girty for all she does above and beyond for our district. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Hunter for his leadership during an ever changing environment. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Scribner for his immense flexibility in the ever changing KSHSAA guidelines and rescheduling of events. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mrs. Hinnen for her assistance with documentation I needed for testing. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to students in quarantine for working hard and being flexible. –Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Russell Totty for treating the bus drivers and monitors so well. – Marla Edwards

Shout out to ALL the bus drivers for getting students where they need to go. – Marla Edwards

Shout Outs 12-11-2020 (continued)

Shout to LeNell, Russell and Mr. G for coming to the rescue at the Primary School for the restroom dilemma. - Michelle Nelson

Shout out to USD 492 teachers. Thanks for ALL you do for our students. -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to Jim for just being Jim!!! -Michelle Nelson

Shout out to ALL who helped cover STAR reading groups so teachers could test this week. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Garcia for putting on an excellent music program. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. Casteel for helping with various technology issues in my classroom this week. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. Clark for always helping with students in the gym in the mornings. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Cartmell for keeping track of all the odds & ends so well! –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Willhite for keeping track of all the Reading Counts points and prizes. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. Gawith for taking students to Freddy's for Reading Counts Points. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Cogdell for organizing the Secret Santa fun. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Sangals for helping with student testing. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Mitchell for helping students to work hard in speech. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mr. I for helping in the 3rd grade room during stations. –Jenna Casteel

Shout out to Mrs. Brown for sharing resources that help engage students at this difficult time of the year! – Jenna Casteel

Shout out to LeNell, Michelle and everyone else that put the new tables together! –Lisa Taylor

Shout out to LeNell for coming back to work with a plunger. –Lisa Taylor

Shout to Chloe for limping through the week! –Lisa Taylor

Shout out to Mrs. McCreight, Cast and Crew for two excellent performances! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the new National Honor Society members! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to MS/HS Staff for the food in the lounge this month! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the teachers, principals, counselor, athletic director, secretarial staff, custodial and maintenance staff, kitchen staff, and bus drivers for a job well done as we wind down the 1st semester of the craziest start to a school year ever! It has not been easy, but you have all risen to the challenge to allow us to have the most normal school year possible during the most unstable pandemic any of us have ever faced! –Jeremy Boldra

A special shout out to all teachers who have had to teach in a remote and in-person learning environment at the same time! It hasn't been easy, and we appreciate your extra efforts this year! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs 12-17-2020

Shout Out to Tod Johnson, Cooper Studebaker, and Jeffery Thomas for cutting out letters for me! – Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Matison Totty for lettering my projects! –Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Allie, Josh, and Dawn for helping us make it through this semester. You are very much appreciated! –Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Kristin, Steve, Tammy, and Jenna for making it through the semester! You are a wonderful bunch to work with! –Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Casey for all the times she helps with last minute projects! –Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Larry for being supportive and listening during the difficult times this semester! –Tiffany Cogdell

Shout out to Ms. Grover and the MS/HS music concert. It was wonderful! - Tiffany Cogdell

Shout Outs 12-17-2020 (continued)

Shout out to Mrs. Grover! Mrs. Grover's MS/HS concert was amazing! True leadership coupled with an ability to bring out the very best talent we have. The concert was fun, engaging and truly a joy to watch. –Melissa Scribner

Shout out to Russell and Bill for getting everything set up for the concert in addition to everything they do! – Joan Grover

Shout out to Emily Scribner and Laura Scribner for running the computer during the concert. Thank you ladies! – Joan Grover

Shout out to all the band and choir students for doing their best and being responsible and helpful so the concert could go off without a hitch! – Joan Grover

Shout out to Kyle Parker for being willing to play drumset with the Middle School Choir songs when I just said to him, "Here's the song – do something." Thank you, Kyle! - Joan Grover

Shout out to everyone who helped bring all the equipment downstairs after the concert. We appreciate you!!! – Joan Grover

Shout out to Reagan Heimgartner for being such an outstanding student aide. She didn't know that would involve directing when she signed up for it, but she steps up in whatever way I need. Thank you, Reagan! – Joan Grover

Shout out to the faculty who have brought food this week – delicious! - Joan Grover

Shout out and "thank you from the bottom of my heart," Karen Hinnen, for cooking, serving and caring for our theatre students on production week! Also, many thanks for videotaping the show both nights! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Alana Holcomb for teaming with Karen to help serve the theatre cast and crew! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Michal Austin for assisting the Middle School Virtual Production Performers during Green Screen Challenges! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Keaton Jones for being a wonderful facilitator of the Green Screen Backgrounds for the Middle School Virtual Theatre Production! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Chase Casteel for helping me understand how to zoom record the Middle School Virtual Theatre Production! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Mrs. Grover for a memorable night of Vocal and Band Performance. It is thrilling to see so many students enthused about music! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to Mr. Hunter for quickly facilitating transportation for the Theatre Department Christmas Basket Delivery! Your willingness to help teachers in moments of "much to do" is so appreciated! –Julie McCreight

Shout Out to Andrea Humig and Sandy Bell for creating the "New Theatre Seating Chart" to use for assigning audience seats during performances. –Julie McCreight

Shout Out to Tresa Garcia for selling tickets in our school lobby for 8 hours to increase our theatre proceeds as much as possible! Your effort was amazing! –Julie McCreight

Shout out to the ALL of the district staff for the hard work that has made it possible for Flinthills to have in person school and accommodate those that chose remote this semester. –Juli Willhite

Shout out to Joan Grover for the hot tea mix. It really helped me stay hydrated and was delicious! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Karen Hinnen for helping clean up in the lounge after treats. It was greatly appreciated! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Madilynn Thomas and Taren Lakin for creating a fun seasonal bulletin board for me. It looks awesome! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout Outs 12-17-2020 (continued)

Shout out to the high school English students for working hard this semester on the many writing assignments you wrote. I am so proud of your efforts! -Mrs. Rosenquist

Shout out to Mr. Hunter for your support of staff and students this semester. You are appreciated! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to Gordon Stands for all the clean-up of the school property on the west side of the road! It's looking great! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to all staff for all of their efforts this past semester! Enjoy your time off as it is well-deserved! -Jeremy Boldra

Shout Outs 1-8-2021

Shout out to Michael, Daniel & Bill for helping me unload 600+ pounds of clay out of my car! I really appreciated your help! -Michal Austin

Shout out to the entire custodial staff – the building looks amazing! -Michal Austin

Shout out to Robyn Hunter, Debbie Anderson, Tracy Wilson, Chloe Fuzzell, and Michelle Nelson for doing such an amazing job covering my class this week! You all made the week special for my kids and stress-free for me! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Tammy Brown, Dawn Waller, and Casey Cartmell for having such big hearts! -Sarah Grunder

Shout out to Daniel Scribner for changing my flat tire this week! You are a hero! -Julie Rosenquist

Shout out to high school students for taking the MAP tests this week. I admire each of you for working hard and doing your best! -Mrs. Rosenquist

Shout out to all of the subs in the Primary this week, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Hunter! -Lisa Taylor

Shout out to Michelle Nelson for keeping our Staff room calendar up to date. -Lisa Taylor

Shout out to LeNell for rolling with the punches with a smile. -Lisa Taylor

Shout out to the Flinthills' parents for their support during the winter activities and for following Covid-19 protocol. Great job! -Michael Hunter

Shout out to Trevor Kemp for stepping in as a long-term substitute in HS science. -Michael Hunter

Shout out to Larry Gawith and Leesa Smith for helping to set up our NWEA Map Accelerator program. -Michael Hunter

Shout out to Kristin Sangals and Casey Cartmell for taking care of my morning duties a couple of times this week. -Juli Willhite

Shout out to Janet Johnson and Larry Gawith for working hard to get us more help for the Primary Special Education program! -Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to LeNell for all the work she did over the break in our building. It looks great! -Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Lisa Taylor and Marla Edwards for doing lunch duty every day! -Crystal Ratcliff

Shout out to Leesa for getting all the schedule changes processed. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Scribner for getting Choice classes going again. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to intermediate students for learning "Yet" statements. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to Mr. Kemp for doing a great job coming on as the high school science substitute. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout out to the custodial staff for deep cleaning our building and getting our new lunch tables up. -Mrs. Mettling

Shout Outs 1-8-2021 (continued)

Shout out to Russell Totty, Tana Wight, T.J. Gullick, Sydney Gullick, Shawn Borst, and Greg Keifer for getting all of the bus barn equipment transferred over the break! The new bus maintenance building is looking great! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Bill and Brandon for assembling the cafeteria tables... they look great! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to Dennis for getting those auditorium vents cleaned up as it appears to have really helped the HVAC system! –Jeremy Boldra

Shout out to the Seniors on Senior Night! –Jeremy Boldra

January 2021

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
10		N HS Scholars Bowl @ Oxford 4:30	G HS BB vs. CV/Dexter 4:45 MS BB vs. CV/Dexter 4:00	M BOE @ Cassoday 7:00 SCBL Meeting	U MS BB @ Dexter 4:00	S HS BB @ Caldwell 4:00	16 HS BB @ Udall— Play in Games
17		18 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Staff Development SCBL Boys BB	T SCBL Girls BB	A Spelling Bee 1:00 Grades 3-5 & 6-8	N SCBL Boys @ Cowley MS BB vs. Elk Valley 5:00	G SCBL Girls @ Cowley KSU Concert Band @ K-State	23 HS BB @ Cowley HS WR Tournament @ Eureka 9:00 KSU Concert Band @ K-State
24		M Booster Club 6:00 HS SCBL Scholars Bowl @ Burden 4:30 MS BB vs. Burden 4:00	U	S	T MS BB vs. West Elk 5:00	A HS WR @ Remington 3:00 HS BB vs. Udall 4:45 Homecoming— Between V Games	30 Homecoming Dance 8:00-11:00
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 N MS BB vs. Sedan 5:00 Scholars Bowl—Regional @ FHS	2 G HS BB @ Burden 4:00	3 M SCBL Meeting	4 U	5 S HS BB vs. Sedan 4:45 Butler Co Spelling Bee @ BCC 1:00	6 ACT Test MS SCBL BB Tournament @ Oxford 9:00
7	8 T BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 MS Scholars Bowl @ Caldwell 4:30 Lifetouch Spring Pictures	9 A HS BB @ Oxford 4:00	10 N P/T Conferences 4:00—8:00 FFA @ Buhler	11 G P/T Conferences 4:00—8:00 Valentine's Parties - Primary 2:15 Intermediate 2:45 MS BB @ Oxford 4:00 HS WR @ Uniontown 3:00	12 NO SCHOOL WR Regional Boys HS BB vs. Aragonia 4:45	13 WR Regional Girls Scholars Bowl State Forensics @ Burden 8:00 MS SCBL BB Tournament @ Oxford 10:00
14 Valentine's Day	15 NO SCHOOL President's Day MS Scholars Bowl @ Flint-hills 4:30	16 M HS BB @ Howard 4:00	17 U	18 S MS Math Relays @ Caldwell 4:45 Forensics @ Oxford 4:00	19 T WR Girls Sub State HS BB @ South Haven 4:00	20 WR Boys Sub State National FFA Week
21 National FFA Week	22 A Booster Club 6:00 MS Scholars' Bowl @ Burden 4:30	23 N MS SCBL Math Relays @ Howard 4:45	24 G WR State Girls	25 M WR State Girls BB Sub-State Quarterfinals	26 U WR State Girls @ Salina BB Sub-State Quarterfinals	27 WR State Boys @ Hays
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JANUARY



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
This is equal opportunity provider and employer.	Meals are subject to change.			1 NO SCHOOL
4 NO SCHOOL	5 BREAKFAST: Cereal, String Cheese, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Mixed Vegetables Pineapple Tidbits Fruit Juice Milk	6 BREAKFAST: Chocolate Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans Pretzel Cheese Sauce Diced Peaches Milk	7 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Tropical Fruit W.G. Rolls Milk	8 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Beef & Bean Burrito Corn Vegetable Juice Mandarin Oranges Salsa Milk
11 BREAKFAST: White Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Steamed Carrots Grapes W.G. Rolls Milk	12 BREAKFAST: Oatmeal Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Beef Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Tater Tots Diced Pears Bunny Grahams Milk	13 BREAKFAST: Bagel with Strawberry Cream Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Fajita on Flour Tortilla Corn Lettuce & Tomato Salsa Applesauce Milk	14 BREAKFAST: Cereal, PopTart, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Whole Apple Biscuit Milk	15 BREAKFAST: Muffin, Chex Mix, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken & Vegetable Egg Rolls Peas Mandarin Oranges Sidekicks Milk
18 NO SCHOOL	19 BREAKFAST: Cereal Bar, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Quesadilla Refried Beans Corn Tropical Fruit Salsa Milk	20 BREAKFAST: Super Donut, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Lasagna Peas Sliced Pears W.G. Breadstick Milk	21 BREAKFAST: Grape Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Hamburger on Bun Baked Beans French Fries Pickles Sliced Peaches Cookie Milk	22 BREAKFAST: Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Cream Gravy Sliced Pineapple W.G. Rolls Milk
25 BREAKFAST: Chocolate Mini Donuts, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Pork Little Smokies Macaroni & Cheese Mixed Vegetables Rosy Applesauce Muffin Milk	26 BREAKFAST: Oatmeal Breakfast Cookie, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Sausage Links Hash Browns Cream Gravy Biscuit Vegetable Juice Mandarin Oranges Milk	27 BREAKFAST: Bagel with Strawberry Cream Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Stuffed Crust Pepperoni Pizza Corn Strawberries & Bananas Fruit Roll Up Milk	28 BREAKFAST: Strawberry Uncrustable, Fruit, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Breaded Chicken Patty on Bun Sweet Potato Fries Broccoli & Cheese Fruit Juice Milk	29 BREAKFAST: Cereal, String Cheese, Juice, Milk LUNCH: Taco Crunch Refried Beans Salsa Diced Pears W.G. Cinnamon Buns Lettuce & Tomato Milk

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Homecoming has been moved to February 5 with the dance on February 6. No out-of-school dates will be allowed.