



Flinthills Flyer

USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS

December 2022

Mustangs of All Ages

Show Christmas Spirit

Pictures by Jolien Dragoo.



From the Desk of Superintendent, Sandy Short

Greetings Flinthills Families,

As we prepare for the upcoming Winter Break and Holiday Season, we continue to think about and reflect on the many successes and achievements of our students, staff, and school community during this school year. Our students make us so proud, and we truly appreciate your continued support and partnership in everything we do.

We also wanted to provide you with a few reminders about some important dates:

- Our last day of school is December 20th, 2022 and we will release students at 1:00PM.
- Our office will be closed from Wednesday December 21, 2022 through January 3, 2023.
- Students will return for their first day of school after the break on Thursday January 5, 2023.

We hope that you and your family have a safe, fun, and restful Winter Break. Merry Christmas to you and your family,

Sandy Short

FHS AND FHS MEDIA CENTER RECEIVE GRANTS OF \$4,500



Flinthills Schools and Flinthills Media Center applied for and received two grants from the Tim Underwood Memorial Golf Tournament sponsored by HF Sinclair. The Media Center received a grant for \$2500.00 to purchase items for the Reading is Dream with Your Eyes Wide Open tote bag project. The school received \$2000.00 to purchase back to school supplies.



November MS Student of the Month

Koleson Swafford

Parents – Jamie Sundgren & Craig Swafford

Hobbies – Reading, golf, baseball, doing stuff with friends

Activities – Theatre, Pep Band, Math Relays, and Scholars’ Bowl

Favorite Class – Physical Education

November HS Student of the Month

Harlee Randall

Parents – Derek & Becky Randall

Hobbies – Reading, sleeping, and watching TV

Activities – Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Math Relays, and STUCO

Favorite Class – Biology



October Employee of the Month



Jamie Sundgren was selected as the October 2022 Employee of the Month. Jamie first started teaching Science at Flinthills USD 492 in the fall of 1999. She taught Science for four years. After working for WSU and El Dorado, Jamie then paused her career to focus on her family and began teaching Science for us again in August of 2019. Jamie was nominated by two people, one anonymous and Mr. Trevor Kemp. Her nominators characterized her by saying, Jamie is “always willing to help students who need extra help.” by anonymous and “Jamie has been a great influence over the last couple years having great relationships with kids and great charisma with colleagues. She also has done a great job taking her new duties in stride this year.” Mr. Kemp.

Jamie will receive a Flinthills jacket or a Flinthills bag. We gave her a bag of her "favorites" and balloons to honor her! Thank you, Jamie, for all your hard work!

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

Flinthills Families,

What happened to first semester! It is hard to believe we are coming to the end of the first semester. I have really enjoyed seeing all the amazing accomplishments and activities happening at Flinthills. It is always exciting everyday seeing students engaged in learning. I am very proud of our faculty, staff, students and community for making Flinthills such an amazing place.

What a joy it is to celebrate the Christmas season. The staff and I would like to wish each one of our wonderful families a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year. Our hope is that each family will feel love, hope, and peace throughout this Christmas season. We are so blessed here at Flinthills to be able to partner with you and your family.

Michelle Hunter
 Megan Hansen
 Kessa Smith
 Julie Mozey
 J. Ann
 Brandon
 J. Ann
 Cain L. Jensen
 Joan Shower
 EWJ
 Karren Clark
 Julie Rosney

Chase A. Castet
 Tracy Kemp
 Scott Starr
 Julie Gray McGehee
 J. Ann
 Daniel J. Sehn
 Lisa & Garcia



COUNSELOR'S

CORNER

December 2022

m.hansen@usd492.org

From Ms. Hansen

Our testing and college and career ready activities have slowed down a bit since October! We are ready to start the second semester! Students had the opportunity to sign up to discuss their second semester schedule prior to leaving for Christmas break. All schedule changes will be made prior to January when we come back to school!

Seniors: Your spring semester will go by quickly! Please make sure you are checking your email to find out about scholarships, college visit days for seniors, and any other important information. My office is always open if you have questions.

COLLEGE VISITS

If you plan on going on a college visit, please make sure you fill out the proper paperwork! Stop by the office to get this paperwork and have your teachers, Mr. Hunter, and Ms. Hansen sign your paper prior to going!



Upcoming Events

- ACT: February 28, 2023



Word of the Month

CREATIVITY

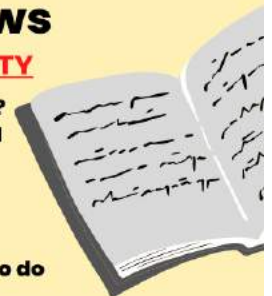
"Creativity is using your imagination to create something new or solve a problem."

(Character Strong, Purposeful People, 2022)

Intermediate News

Word of the Month: **CREATIVITY**

- What is the hardest part about creativity?
- Can you think of the last time you showed creativity?
- What is your favorite way to be creative?
- Describe someone who is creative. What makes them creative?
- What can using your creativity help you to do in life?



Classes—Where the Learning Begins

Projects from Woodworking Principles

Hunter Lowmaster Oak Floating Bed Frame



Callum Reust Oak and Maple Floating End Table



Corbin Araiza—
Knotty Pine Bedside Table



Zara Thomas Burned Top Coffee Table

Projects from Advanced Ag Mechanics



Austin Liggett showing off the chain saw he fixed in Advanced Ag Mechanics

Nate Becker cattle panel quick connects—
Advanced Ag Mechanics

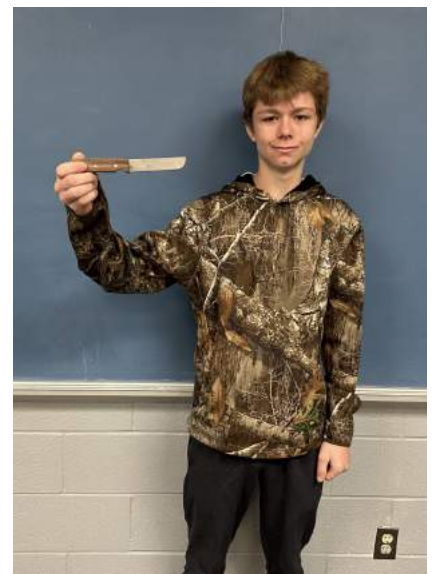


Projects from Machine Tool Technology

Kody Pinkerton—Rivet hammer
created in Machine Tool Technology



Jacob Kane built a knife on
the metal mill



MS/HS Christmas Program





5th Grade Band in Concert



We're Touching What????

Animal Science and Advanced Plant & Animal Science classes got to dissect and explore a cow stomach. The students have been learning about the Ruminant and mono-gastric stomachs in class. They got to see the Rumen, Reticulum, Omasum and Abomasum in person and got to distinguish what each compartment on the inside looks and feels like.

-Karlea Clark

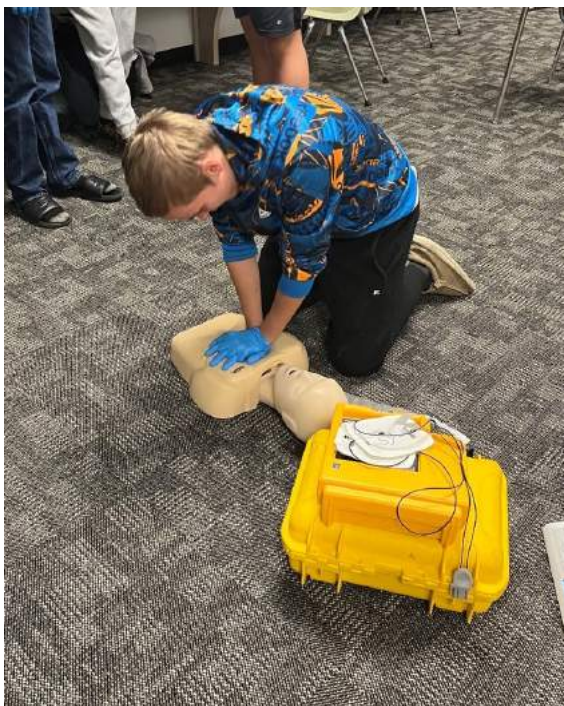


The Flinthills Health Class

The students in this semester's Health class learned Emergency First Aid, CPR, and AED use for the emergency responder. The students were educated with instructional videos, and hands on practice/instruction with real world scenarios in emergency situations.

-Sarah Wood RN

CPR



AED



Ag Department Uses Project-Based Learning

Look at what the Flinthills Ag classes have been up to. We have been really busy lately and I wouldn't trade it for the world.
-Karlea Clark

Animal Science: The animal science class have been learning about simple and Ruminant stomachs of livestock. They just complete a project where they baked a cake and drew out their animals and stomachs on the cake and labeled them accordingly.



Agribusiness: These students have been working really hard and just finished their huge Ag Business project where they had to create a business then bring their proposal to the "Shark Tank" where the Sharks decided to either invest in the business or not.

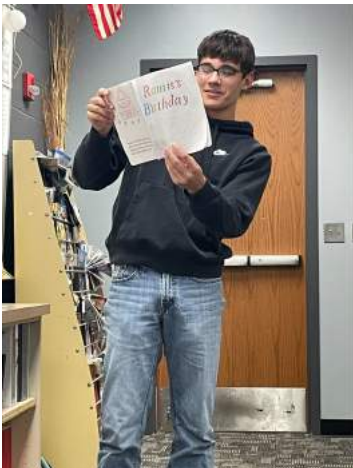
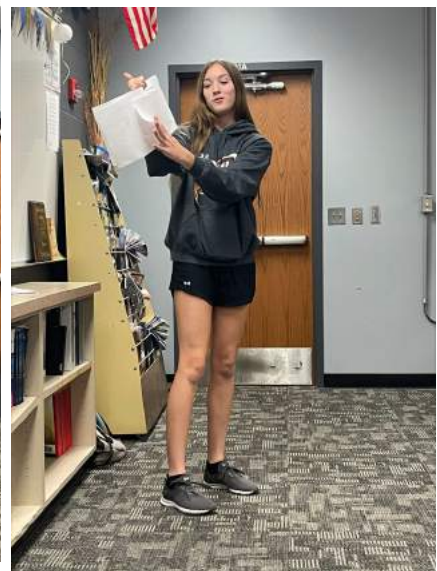
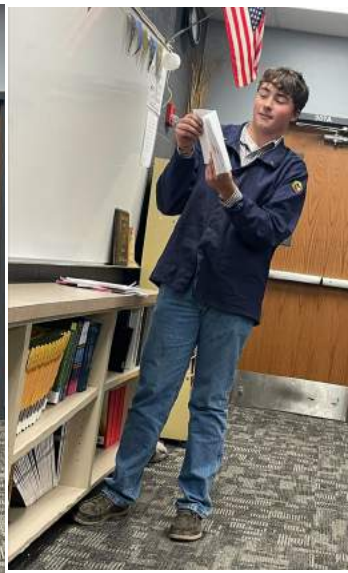
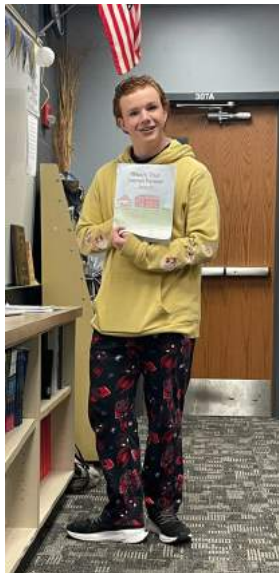


Exploratory Ag: The exploratory Ag class has been preparing for their Ag Academy contest next Wednesday.



Welding 1: The welding students have been working on completing their stick and Mig welds and some have started working on projects. Hunter Lowmaster made a weight stand for the Mr. Jackson weight class. Austin Liggett has been working on a holder to put all of his cut wood in. Klayton Griffith has completed a grill guard for his Explorer.

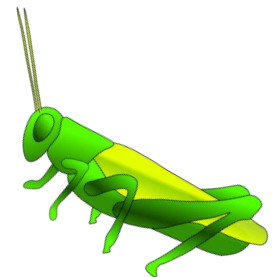
Advanced Plant & Animal Science: Just completed their animal terminology unit where they had to create a children's book using animal terminology.



More from the Ag Department



Agriscience: Finished their Entomology unit where they had to collect 25 bugs, identify them, find their Taxonomy and put them into their designated orders.





Seniors, Madilynn Thomas and Philip Harris, shared their Christmas spirit with the Intermediate students by decorating a bulletin board with a gingerbread school for the gingerbread boy and gingerbread girl.

Treble Makers Join FHS Choir for Veterans Day Assembly

Eight members of the local singing group “The Treble Makers” joined the FHS Choir to sing the “Star Spangled Banner” and “Salute to the Patriots” at the Veterans Day Assembly.

The Treble Makers is a volunteer choir that performs in many places including churches and nursing homes.. The members who came were Don Wedel, tenor/baritone; Terry Preston, tenor; Dennis Stricklin, tenor; Doug Varner, tenor; Chet Shelden, tenor; Dave Matthews, baritone; Bob Lehman, bass; Tony Foster, bass; and Curtis Willhite, bass.

They said they enjoy singing and appreciated the chance to perform. Philip Harris, the only male in the high school choir, enjoyed having more men to sing his part.

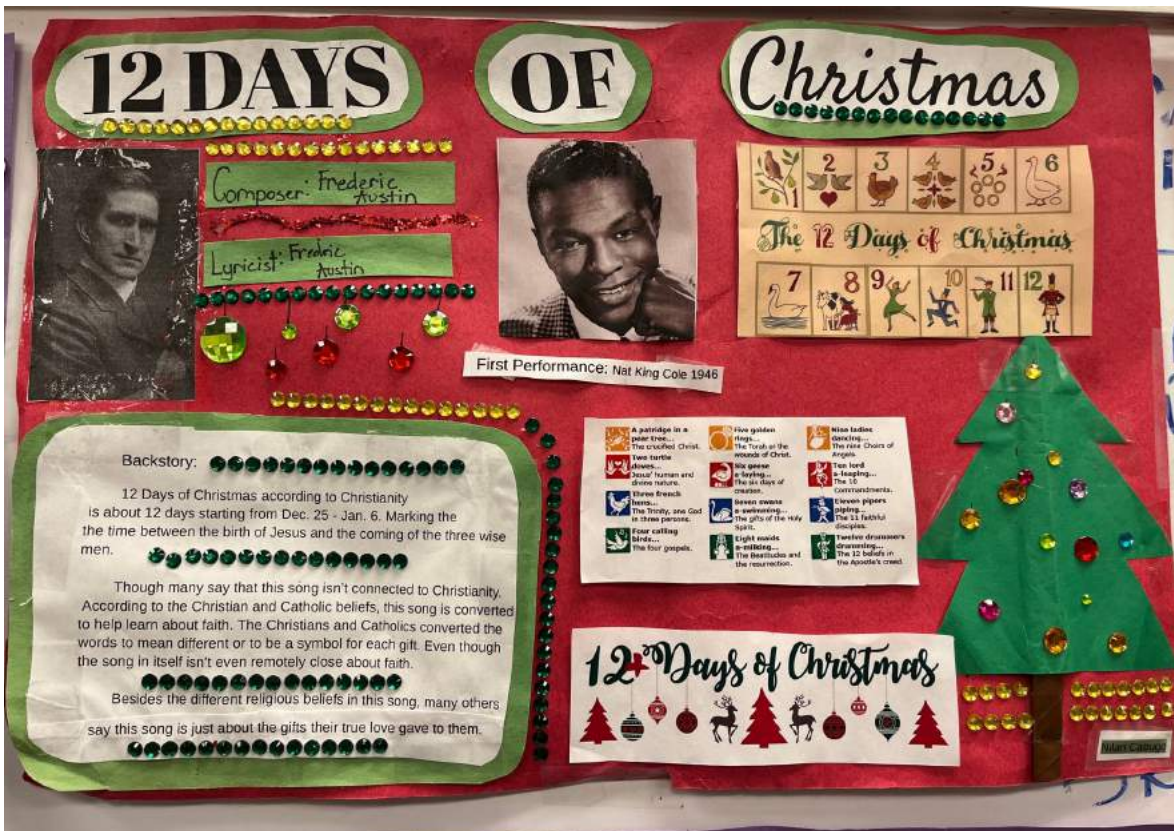
For more information, contact Curtis Willhite.



CHOIR LEARNS HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS CAROLS

After the Christmas concert, the Middle and Senior High Choir classes have been singing Christmas carols and researching the history of them. Students made a poster and presented to the class their information about different Christmas carols. Some of them were quite interesting like the song "Do You Hear What I Hear" was written in the midst of the Cuban Missile Crisis and is considered an anti-war song.

-Joan Grover



Composer - *My Favorite Things* Lyricist - Oscar
 Richard Rodgers Hammerstein II

Merry Christmas

Back Story
 The first time "My Favorite Things" became associated with Christmas was in 1961 when Julie Andrews performed it for the holiday special. Long before she starred in the movie version of "Sound of Music" which was filmed in 1964 and released in April 1965.

First Performance
 1961
 By Julie Andrews
 on a Garry Moore holiday special

By Taren Lakin

we **NEED** a little Christmas

Composer/Lyricist
Jerry Herman

BACKSTORY
 In the musical Mame, following the stock market crash of 1929, the song follows Auntie Mame as she tries to hurry up the Christmas preparations, even though it's still November and the snow hasn't yet started to fall, hoping it will help take her mind off her lost fortune.

First Performance
 1966 premier of MAME at the *Winter Garden* theatre

Philip Harris

ACTIVITIES KEEP US BUSY

Veterans Recognized at Ceremony

The Flinthills students, staff, and community members recognized the veterans and current service members in our community on Veterans Day. National Honor Society students planned the assembly and were honored to have it attended by many veterans and their families. Mr. John Craighead spoke to the school about his experiences in the military and the importance of thanking our veterans. The Flinthills choir and a community mens' choir, the Treblemakers, sang for the assembly. Thank you to everyone involved, and we are especially grateful to our community's veterans.

-Laura Scribner





Youth Group

**Date: Every Wednesday night
at the United Methodist Church**

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

Address: 690 SE Elinthills Road, Rosalia

- All 6th-12th grade Rosalia area students
- Meals are provided
- Students can drive or walk from school after practice
- Students must be picked up at 7:30 PM
- Bibles are provided, but you may bring your own
- We will meet December 7th, 14th, 21st, and the 28th and January 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th.

Sponsored by

The United Methodist Church, Davis Laughlin

dlaughlin57@cs.com

The Rosalia Christian Church, Samantha Alvord

samanthaalvord@gmail.com



Annual 4-H Achievement Celebration

The Annual Butler County 4-H Achievement Celebration was held on November 5th at the Butler Community College Welcome Center. This event celebrates the accomplishments of 4-H'ers throughout the past year. It is also a time to recognize and thank all the leaders who volunteer many hours to make 4-H'ers successful.

4-H'ers who submitted Project Reports were recognized, as well as Graduating Clover Buds, Graduating 4-H'ers, Achievement Pin recipients and Special Award winners.

Cassoday Boosters submitting Project Reports were Riley Garcia, Trena Garcia, Agnes Leibbrandt, Emma Leibbrandt, Cally Miller, Cami Miller, Emily Scribner, Jacob Scribner and Laura Scribner. Trena Garcia was recognized as the Senior Champion in Dairy and Cally Miller had the Senior Champion Beef Project Record. Riley Garcia received a Blue Award for her Dairy Project Record. Cami Miller received Intermediate Champion Beef.

Club members receiving achievement pins were Agnes Leibbrandt (Clover), Emma Leibbrandt (Membership), Cally Miller (10th Year), Cami Miller (Leadership) and Jacob Scribner (Emerald).

Riley Garcia was a 2022 "I Dare You Award Recipient." Trena Garcia received the Dr. Johnson Outstanding 4-H'er award, the EW Nath College Scholarship, and the Butler Community College scholarship sponsored by the Butler County 4-H Council. Cally Miller received the Kansas Key Award, the Butler County Junior Leader Award, and the EW Nath and BCC college scholarships.

Congratulations to all award recipients!



Cassoday Booster 4-H'ers at the Butler County 4-H Achievement Celebration



The Flinthills 4-H Club had a booth at the Rosalia Community Trick or Treat. 4-H members had a great time giving out candy to over 100 kids.



Members Observe 4-H Sunday

On Sunday November 13, the Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club observed 4-H Sunday by attending church services together at the First Southern Baptist Church in El Dorado. Club members helped as greeters before church. During the service, members led the congregation in the 4-H pledge, passed offering baskets, gave scripture readings and led prayers. Following worship, the club met for a lunch meeting in the church basement.



During the business meeting, Blake Tetrick served as Junior President, working with President Trena Garcia to learn how to lead a meeting. Following the meeting, officers held a planning session and several committees met. The next meeting of the Cassoday Boosters will be on Tuesday, December 20. The club will meet at 7:00 p.m. in Cassoday for Christmas Caroling.



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4-H Is About Serving

The Flinthills 4-H Club participated in a couple of community service activities to help those in need for the holidays. Members spent an afternoon ringing the bell for the Salvation Army in front of Dilons. They also went shopping for gifts for the school's Angel tree.

The 4-H'ers also enjoyed a Christmas pizza party at their monthly club meeting.



Flinthills Theatre's *Cinderella* Entertains Large Crowds



Children sat on the edge of their seats, as the Stepmother scowled, Cinderella dreamed, the Stepsisters fought, the Mice plotted, the King planned, the Dog danced, the Prince searched, and the Godmother saved the day in the Flinthills High School Theatre. Audience members witnessed an actor portray a furry stilt-legged dog, performers play the roles of puppet mice, and a carriage roll on stage that was designed by Ellie Wilson, a Flinthills Intermediate student. Costumed youngsters, who attended, were also able to have their pictures taken with the Prince and Cinderella following the Saturday Matinee.

The Cast and Crew of 64 members worked together for six weeks to capture and perform the magic of the classic story.

-Director Julie McCreight

A Dream really is a Wish your Heart Makes!







Middle School Christmas Theatre Scenes Emphasize *The Reason for the Season!*

Middle School Students performed their drama class Christmas scenes for an audience. Each scene had a touching message of Christmas Spirit. A bitter family was reminded by a homeless child how to share their good fortune with others in “The Waif.” Volunteer elves discovered that their efforts to encourage joy amidst children really was worth their while in “Elf Locker Room.” A couple on a blind date realized that giving love a shot was worth it in a scene titled, “It’s the Holidays,” which was performed by two high school drama students. Shoemakers experienced gratitude and repaid the kindness to three mystery elves in “The Shoemaker’s Elves.” “A Brief Christmas Carol” gave us a glimpse of the familiar adventure of Scrooge as he learned how important giving can be for the soul.

-Director Julie McCreight



Sports News

Flinthills High School 2022-23 Basketball Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>EVENT LOCATION</u>	<u>JV TIME</u>	<u>Varsity TIME</u>
12/2/22	Lebo	Lebo	5:00	6:00
12/5-10	Fairfield Classic	Langdon	None	TBD
12/13/22	Altoona-Midway	Buffalo	5:00	6:00
12/16/22	Eureka	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
12/20/22	Bluestem	Leon	4:30	6:00
1/6/23	Classical School	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
1/10/23	Sedan	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
1/13/23	South Haven	South Haven	4:00	6:00
1/14-21	TBD	SCBL Tournament Week	None	TBD
1/27/23	Udall*	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
1/31/23	Cedar Vale/Dexter	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
2/3/23	Caldwell	Caldwell	4:00	6:00
2/7/23	Central	Central	4:00	6:00
2/10/23	Argonia**	Rosalia	4:45	6:00
2/14/23	West Elk	West Elk	4:00	6:00
2/17/23	Oxford	Oxford	4:00	6:00
2/20-2/25	TBD	Regionals	None	TBD
2/27-3/4	TBD	SubState	None	TBD
3/9-3/12	TBD	State Tournament Week	None	TBD

* Homecoming

** Senior Night

Flinthills MS 2022-23

Wrestling Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
2/27/23	Whitewater	Remington Inv.	4:00
3/2/23	Douglass	Douglass Inv.	4:00
3/3/23	Cottonwood Falls	Chase County Inv.	3:00
3/6/23	Howard	West Elk Inv.	5:30

Flinthills HS 2022-23

Wrestling Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Dec. 3	Flinthills Tournament	Rosalia	9:00 AM
Dec. 10	Hesston Tournament	Hesston	9:00 AM
Jan. 7	Burlington Tournament	Burlington	9:00 AM
Jan. 13-14	Halstead Tournament	Halstead	4:00 PM
Jan. 21	Eureka Tournament	Eureka	9:00 AM
	Heights Invitational (Girls)	Wichita	9:00 AM
Jan. 27	Bronco Invitational	Remington	3:00 PM
Jan. 28	Fredonia Tournament	Fredonia	9:00 AM
Feb. 3-4	Circle Tournament	Towanda	1:00 PM
Feb. 7	Three Rivers Tournament	Uniontown	3:00 PM
Feb. 11	Regionals(Girls)	TBD	TBD
Feb. 17-18	Regionals(Boys)	TBD	TBD
Feb. 23	State(Girls)	TBD	TBD
Feb. 24-25	State(Boys)	TBD	TBD

Sports News

2022 High School Volleyball Accomplishments

Varsity Team - Record 40-4

State Runner-Ups
1st Seed in State Tournament
Sub-state Champions
1st Seed in Sub-state Tournament
League Tournament Champions
Undefeated Regular Season League Champions
Remington Invitational Tournament Champions
Spartan Invitational Tournament Champions
Flinthills Invitational Tournament Champions

JV/C Teams - Record 10-13

4th Place Flinthills JV Invitational Tournament

Flinthills Single Season Stat Records

Team: Serve Receive Rating 1st 1.83

Team: Blocks 1st 168

Team: Kills 1st 1142

Harlee Randall: Ace Percentage 7th 22.3
Karly Girty: Aces 2nd 96
Rylie Wight: Aces 4th 88
Harlee Randall: Aces 7th 82

Karly Girty: Digs 1st 277
Taren Lakin: Digs 3rd 221

Karly Girty: Serve Receive 1st 2.19
Harlee Randall: Serve Receive 4th 2.11
Amanda Brown: Serve Receive 7th 2.07

Harlee Randall: Blocks 1st 104
Kolby Holcomb: Blocks 6th 47
Paige Corter: Blocks 7th 45

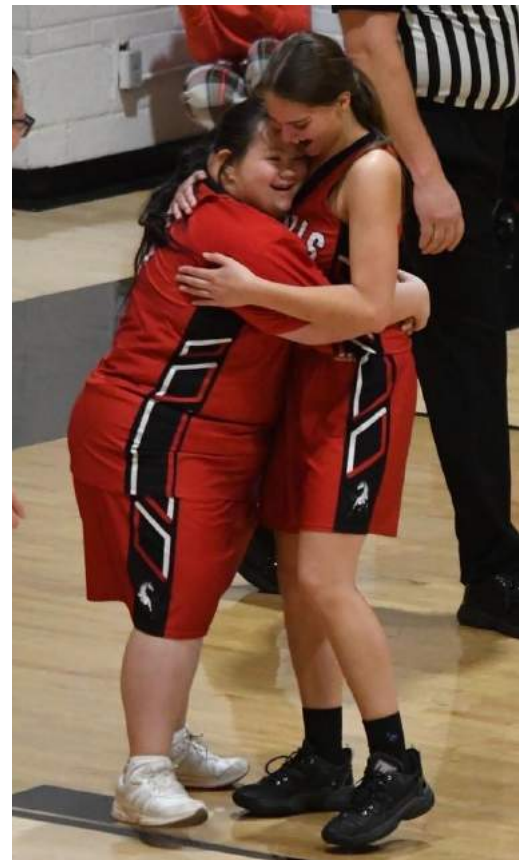
Harlee Randall: Hitting Percentage 1st 0.385
Karly Girty: Assists 5th 583
Karly Girty: Serve Rating 8th 112.2

Harlee Randall: Kills 2nd 382
Karly Girty: Kills 10th 258



Congratulations to Karly Girty, Harlee Randall, Kolby Holcomb and Madison Alvord for receiving post-season honors for their success this season!

Riley Knows No Limits



MS Boys Basketball Off to a Good Start

The Middle School Boys have gotten off to a good start this season. We currently have 22 boys on our roster and are being led by a great group of six 8th graders. We began our season with a tough loss to Wichita Classical School but have rebounded well from that loss.

Our varsity boys have had significant league wins against Udall, Central, Sedan, and West Elk. We traveled to Cedar Vale/Dexter with a limited group due to sickness and injuries and suffered our only SCBL loss to a very good team. All of the boys have been working hard at practice, and they have been coming together as a team, showing great teamwork and defense. We will be practicing a few times over the break, as we will return to competition on January 5th with an away game at Sedan.

-Coach Steve Jackson

-Pictures by Melissa Scribner



MS Girls Team Play with Grit and Determination

After a win against Wichita Classical on November 14th to open the season 25-16 the Flinthills girls won a hotly contested game 21-20 at home against Udall. The A girls held off Udall to secure their second win. Led by Bella Wight with 7 points and a strong defense that held in the final minutes. Likewise, the B team had timely makes and defense stops in the fourth quarter, winning 14-10.

The Flinthills girls' basketball team returned to winning ways against Sedan on December 8th after 3 consecutive losses. Cedar Vale, Central Burden, and Remington dealt losses as the Mustangs developed their defense. However, that same defense was pivotal in the Sedan victory as they forced one turnover after another. Scoring has been inconsistent but all starters have chipped in across those games. With key contributions from bench players the course is charted for greater success.

The December 12th contest against West Elk got interesting late. They held the top team in the division to 0 points in the second quarter. Three consecutive three-pointers put them as close as four in the final minutes but the lead was too much. So proud of their grit and determination. Go Mustangs!!
-Coach Steve Clark

Current record A Team 3-4. B Team 5-2.

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2/9/23	TBD	SCBL Tournament	None	TBD
2/11/23	TBD	SCBL Tournament	None	TBD

Letter from Mrs. Cooper, the Primary/ Intermediate Principal...

I hope you have a wonderful blessed Christmas time with your family and friends over Christmas break! A great activity to do with kids is baking cookies as a family, driving around to see the Christmas lights, and watching a Christmas movie as a family with hot cocoa.

Primary School

The vocal music program is December 12 at 7PM in Cassoday with the PTO Pie raffle afterwards. Students will be caroling at Rick & Jenny's General Store in Cassoday December 15 at 12:15PM.

Flinthills Intermediate School

The band and vocal music concert was a success on December 6 with the PTO Pie raffle afterwards. Students went caroling to Butler Community College on December 7 and had a great time.

Both Buildings

Santa is coming December 19 to both buildings. There will be a photo booth for students. Holiday parties will be December 19. PTO will be sponsoring pizza for our movie on December 20 before students leave for Christmas break.



November Intermediate Student of the Month

Halstyn Ludwick

4th grade

Parents: Scott & Katie Ludwick

Hobbies & Activities: Gymnastics, and making rubber band bracelets

Favorite Class: Art, Drama & Reading



Primary School Christmas Program



WALK-A-THON



The primary students enjoyed a 30 minute session of activities on November 16 from army crawl, and stepping stones, to scooters and hippity hops. Our primary total of pledges for this year was \$1518.74.

The Intermediate students completed their Walk-A-Thon on November 9 and brought in \$3,200.77.

Thank you to the PTO for providing popsicles afterwards. Congrats to our Walk-A-Thon Winners and a huge thank you to all of our participants and to those who contributed.





On Thursday, December 15 , our primary students went Christmas Caroling at Rick and Jenny's. Thank you to Rick and Jenny for the opportunity to serve our community and help spread some Christmas Cheer. Merry Christmas from the Primary Students and Staff!!!



The American Dream as told by 5th Graders

The 5th grade students each wrote an essay for the Elks Lodge Patriotism Essay Contest in November. The contest asked students to write about their “American Dream”. We were excited to learn that Flinthills 5th graders swept the competition! Brentley Decker won 1st place, Emmie Marsh placed 2nd, and Luke Parker took 3rd place.



What is your American Dream?

To be a medic in the Army would be my American dream. I think that is going to be a very bright future for me.

Who inspired me to want to be a medic in the Army was Tom Hinton. I know Tom because he lives next to my mom's shop in Rosalia. I have learned many great things from Tom. Tom was a medic in Vietnam. He also helped many people in need. That is why I look up to Tom.

It could be a wonderful opportunity. I think it could be an amazing job because it allows me to be like him. I could also meet many new people. I could travel to many places. It could also pay for my college. That is how it could be a wonderful opportunity in my life.

Tom once told me, “What you think you can, you will most likely achieve”. Those words stood out to me because he did something so risky. That means I can do something risky, too. That is why I would like to be a medic in the U.S. Army.

-Brentley Decker

What is your American Dream?

In America we have a lot of freedom and it's just a dream to live here. The freedoms we have, some other places don't. I want to tell you about some of our freedoms.

The First Amendment is a huge part of our freedom. The freedom of speech lets me share my ideas or thoughts and say what I want when I'm texting and writing a letter. I can go to church and follow my beliefs thanks to the freedom of religion. The freedom of the press allows me to publish information and the government can't reject it. Since we have the freedom of assembly, I can join a club and I can say what I want to be adjusted or changed. I can write a request for a solution I want to be made because of the freedom to petition the government. Now you know a little bit about the first Amendment.

We have so many freedoms in America. It's sad to know that other people don't have as much freedom as we do. I'm so grateful to live here and have the freedoms we do. Being in America is my dream.

-Emmerine Marsh

What is your American Dream?

My American dream is to have a good life. I don't want to live with my parents till I am 20. I want to step out and have an adventure; do something I always wanted to do.

I want to have a good life. I want to have kids and a family. Being married would be nice so I can have kids. I also want to go to college. When I am done with college, I am going to have a business. I am going to have a business that I have control and power over.

My business is going to be a ranch. It will have cows and crops to harvest. I will have some equipment to harvest the crops and to move the cows. That's my dream for my business.

All this might not happen, but a kid can dream. If it does, it would be cool. That is my American.

-Luke Parker

Intermediate Students Perform at Butler CC

On our December late start date, the intermediate students traveled to the campus of Butler CC to sing a few Christmas songs for students and staff as part of our community involvement for Redesign. The students made stops at several buildings, singing for groups such as the music students, women's basketball team, and staff in the admissions building. They also checked out the great acoustics of the atrium in the Welcome Center. The students had a great time performing and it was fun to see the Butler students (especially the women's basketball team) get into the performances! A special thank you goes out to Kim Jackson for helping to arrange our outing and inviting her staff and students to catch our performances.

-Kristin Sangals



January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2 Winter Break	3 Winter Break	4 NO SCHOOL Staff Dev/Work Day	5 A Students Return Kansas State Theatre Conf. MS BB @ Sedan 4:00	6 B Kansas State Thea- tre Conference HS BB vs Classical School 4:45	7 Kansas State Theatre Conference
8	9 C HS Scholars Bowl @ Oxford 4:30	10 A HS BB vs. Sedan 4:45	11 B Staff Dev 7:40-9:40 Students Late Start 10:00 SCBL Meeting TSA Citizenship Day	12 C MS BB vs. Caldwell 5:00	13 A HS BB @ South Haven 4:00	14 HS BB Play-in Games @ Udall
15	16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 NO SCHOOL Staff Development HS Boys BB	17 B HS Girls BB	18 C Spelling Bee 1:00 Grades 3-5 & 6-8	19 A HS Boys BB @ Cowley MS BB vs. CV/Dexter 5:00	20 B HS Girls BB @ Cowley HS Band—K-State Concert Band Clinic	21 HS Basketball Tournament @ Cowley HS Band—K-State Concert Band Clinic
22 HS Band— K-State Concert Band Clinic	23 C Homecoming Week SCBL HS Scholars Bowl @ Udall 4:30	24 A FFA Meeting 6:30	25 B FFA @ Buhler	26 C MS BB @ Burden 4:00	27 A HS BB vs. Udall 4:45 Homecoming Between V Games	28 Homecoming Dance 8:00— 10:30
29	30 B MS BB vs. West Elk 5:00	31 C HS BB vs. CV/Dexter 4:45				

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