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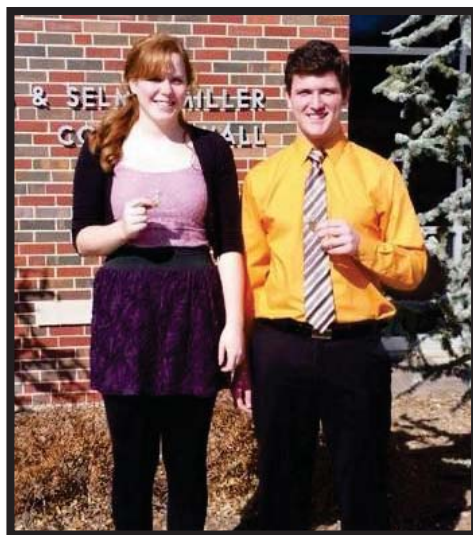
Atchison County Community Schools



March 2015

Effingham, KS

ACCHS STATE PIANO RESULTS—Congratulations to ACCHS Senior Jeremy Lutz and Jentry Scherer, an ACCHS Junior, for their performances at State Piano in Wichita. On Saturday, February 21st, both students achieved I ratings on their solos.



ACCJSH STUDENTS SPEND A DAY AT THE CAPITOL—Students (pictured below) from AC-CJSH recently spent a day in the legislature with Representative Randy Garber. Legislators regularly sponsor Kansas students to serve as pages in the State Capitol during the legislative session. This experience is both educational and rewarding as stu-



dents assist legislators with daily tasks and observe the legislative process firsthand. Students must be in high school or junior high and are required to be 12 years of age or older. Pictured with Representative Garber and Governor Sam Brownback L to R: Jacob Chalfant, Jayden McNerny, Sarah Kimmi, Sponsor Amanda Hughes, Trisha Fassnacht, Ashley Pieper, and Gabriel Livingston.

ACCHS GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM CAPTURES CHAMPIONSHIP AT JCN MIDSEASON TOURNAMENT—Lillie Holtgrave and Jentry Scherer named to All-



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2 3A Sub-State GBB NHS Read Across America JH Scholar's Bowl @ Holton 4pm	3 3A Sub-State BBB NHS Read Across America	4 6th Grade Starbase NHS Read Across America Big 7 Forensics Tourn. @ Sabetha Booster Club Mtg. @ JSH Library 6pm	5 3A Sub State GBB NHS Read Across America 4th Grade Field Trip (Scherer) JH Scholars Bowl @ JW 4pm	6 3A Sub State BBB NHS Read Across America 4th Grade Field Trip (Garoutte) 6th Grade to BC	7 3A Sub State BB Talking Tiger Forensics Tourn. 8am
8	9 Professional Day No Classes FFA Ag Mechanics/Poultry @ Wamego JH Scholar's Bowl (H) 4pm BOE Mtg. 6:30pm	10 Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7pm	11 3A State GBB 6th Grade Starbase After Prom Mtg. @ Elem. 5:30pm Parent/Teacher Conf. 4-7pm	12 3A State BBB	13 End of 3rd Quarter Math Club Pi Day 1:30pm	14 3A State BB
15	16 Teacher Comp. Day Spring Break No Classes	17 	18	19	20	21
22 Lions Club Pancake Breakfast @ JSH 8-12:30	23 Inservice/Work Day No Classes	24 KU Reading Folders Due JH Scholar's Bowl @ Sabetha 4pm Grade 2/3 Learning Camp 6:15pm	25 NHS Blood Drive @ JSH 2-6pm	26	27 Spring Play @ JSH 7pm	28 Spring Play @ JSH 7pm Regional Music @ BC 3A Powerlifting @ Conway Springs High JR/SR Reward Lock In
29 JR/SR Reward Lock In Spring Play 2pm	30 Sophomore Class Research Project/Exposition @ JSH 3:30pm	31 JH TR @ D-West 3pm BSB/SB @ Oskaloosa 4:30pm				

BOE News and Highlights

The USD 377 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 9 at 6:30pm at the Board of Education Office.

**Board Action—Approved the following
Consent items:**

- *Minutes from 1-12-15.
- *Treasurer's Report, Activity Reports, and Bills and Claims in the amount of \$266,167.34.
- *Gifts and Grants as presented.
- *Food Service Year to Date Report.
- *KSHSAA Pay to Play Report
- *JSH Principal's Report.
- *CenterPoint Natural Gas Hedge Agreement—locks in approx. 40% of our historical gas usage for the months of Jan-Mar 15.
- *Keystone Correspondences and Budget Projections.
- *Greenbush North Superintendents' Forum Agenda for 2-5-15. *Kansas
- Assessment Draft letters to go out to parents.
- *Curriculum Council Minutes (1-8-15).
- *KSDE IEP Ratio Denominator Submission Letter.
- *KSDE Title I schoolwide notice letter.
- *Highland Community College Articulation Agreement 2015-16.
- *PAT Winter Newsletter, PAT Winter Report, PAT Program Report.
- *ACCHS Softball Handbook 2015.
- *Greenbush Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.
- *Non-resident Admissions Applications.
- *Technology Infrastructure Upgrades.
- *Increased substitute aide long term pay position from \$8.25 to \$8.40.

Action Items:

*QZAB and Facilities Planning—Received notification from KSDE that the district is 1st in line to receive Zero Interest QZAB federal support in the amount of \$755,000. Superintendent Wiseman submitted an application for \$3 million worth of QZAB's last year. The

district remains 1st in line and eligible to receive approximately \$2.2 million. The Board authorized Mr. Wiseman to notify KSDE of the board's intent to accept the \$755,000 in QZAB bonds. The board will hold a special session to prioritize facility projects to be completed with the use of the QZAB. Payback on 24-year loan would be approximately \$31,500 per year.

*The board took separate action on the retirement notification from Mrs. Susan Kramer. The board regretfully accepted the retirement notification from Mrs. Kramer, effective at the end of the school year. The board expressed their appreciation for many years of outstanding service Susan has given to the district and USD 377 students.

*Separation notice—Joshua Snyder,
Elementary Counselor.

*Separation notice—Cindy Timmons,
Elementary Aide.

*Volunteer Request—Cindy Timmons,
Elementary.

*Extended elementary teaching contract to Charlotte Michel for the 2015-2016 school year.

*Extended elementary counselor intern contract to Lindsey Wilmoth for the 2015-2016 school year.

*KASB Local School Board Elections Resolution—the school board adopted a resolution opposing the Legislature's proposed bills to alter the process and election dates for electing public board of education members in Kansas.

*Student trips approved.

*Bus bids—approved recommendation to accept bus bids from Midwest Transit Equipment.

The next board of education meeting will be held on March 9 in the Board Office at 6:30pm.

4th Grade News

For Black History Month, A.C.C.E.S. Fourth Graders spent time learning about Martin Luther King Jr. They read about him and learned and talked about his famous speech and what those words mean to them as individuals.



After some great days of discussion, each class made a mosaic featuring The King. Next, we moved on to Harriet Tubman, the Underground Railroad, freedom quilts, Fredrick Douglas, and Rosa Parks. Our 4th grade classrooms have some really neat things going on!



Kansas Day 2015



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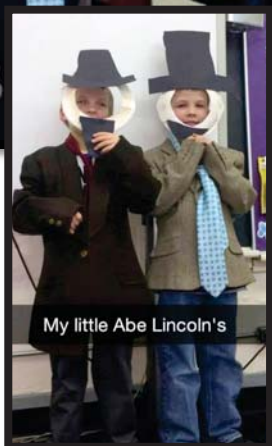
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The next Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for March 9 at 6:30 pm.

President's Day—1st Grade Style

A.C.C.E.S. Students from Mrs. Marsh and Ms. Wagner's 1st Grade researched and presented reports on Presidents in honor of President's Day.



SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Up to date postings will be made on the front page of the USD 377 website. Please be sure to refresh your screen in order to get the latest postings.

Radio Stations

KAIR Radio—93.7 FM, 1470 AM
 KNZA Radio—104.3 FM
 WIBW Radio—580 AM, 94 Country
 KMBZ 980—KXTR 1660—WDAF 106.5
 KY 99.7—KUDL 98.1—Rock 98.9—610 Sports

TV Stations

KTKA-TV Topeka, Channel 49
 WIBW-TV Topeka, Channel 13
 KCTV Kansas City, Channel 5
 KSNT-TV Topeka, Channel 27

To get signed up for the email directory that will keep you informed of the latest news and updates call the Central Office at (913) 833-5050 or send an email to wiseman.stephen@usd377.org.

TALKING TIGER FORENSICS UPDATE—

The ACCHS Talking Tigers Forensics team competed at Royal Valley HS on Saturday, February 21. All team members competed very well, earning the team 5th place in sweepstakes, with six entries advancing to finals. Congratulations to Samantha Harden & Mikayla Nehl, 7th place Duet Acting; Kolten Coy, 6th place Original Oratory; Jacob Chalfant, 5th place Informative Speaking; Kendra Rodecap, 5th place Original Oratory; Mikayla Nehl, 4th place Poetry Interpretation; and Gyluss Hutchens, 3rd place Prose Interpretation. Mikayla qualified to compete at the State Speech and Drama Festival and Gyluss is now qualified for the 3A State Championships, both held in Wichita in May. The Talking Tigers will compete at Perry-Leocompton on February 28 and the Big 7 League tournament at

JR/SR High News

ACCCHS STUCO HONORED BY THE NATIONAL BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION

The 2014-15 ACCCHS Stuco Executive Board recently accepted an honor from the National Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc. on behalf of the Atchison County Community Jr/Sr High School. For the past five years, the Stuco has sponsored a Pink Out during the fall sports season and have donated all proceeds to breast cancer research.

Thanks to all past ACCCHS Stuco members over the years and donors who have made this possible. Pictured L to R: Blair Fowler (Sr.), Jacob Chalfant (So.), Samantha Harden (Sr.), and Julie



Corpstein (Sr.)

COLLEGE SIGNINGS—Congratulations to the following seniors who have signed to attend school and participate in college athletics.

- Shailey Caudle signed with Highland CC to play volleyball.
- Levi Baker signed with Benedictine College to play football.
- Jessie Noll signed with Fort Scott CC to play football.
- Ryan Vollmer signed with Coffeyville CC to play football.
- Hannah Hundley signed with Benedictine

FIVE ACCCHS WRESTLERS QUALIFY FOR CLASS 3-2-1A STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The ACCCHS Wrestling team finished in 5th place behind St. Mary's, Marysville, Silver Lake and regional champion Rossville on Saturday, February 21st. The Tigers qualified five individuals for state competition. These five wrestlers will compete at the Class 3-2-1A State Championships on Friday and Saturday, February 27 and 28.

Qualifying wrestlers, from left to right are: 106-Karl Scholz (So), 120-Hunter Ostertag (So), 170-Joey Landwehr (Sr), 195-Jacob Handke (Sr), and 220-Bratten Forbes (Sr).



SUB-STATE BASKETBALL BRACKETS RELEASED, GIRLS AND BOYS FIRST ROUND ACTION BEGINS ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY THE FIRST WEEK OF MARCH

The ACCCHS Tigers basketball teams will wrap up their regular season this Friday night, February 27th against league rival, Nemaha Valley. The Lady Tigers have a record of 13 wins and 6 losses. They earned the 4th seed in sub-state and will take on Hiawatha at home at 7:00 PM Monday night March 2nd.

The ACCCHS boys basketball team currently has a season record of one win and 18 losses. The boys will play #1 seed Sabetha (18-1) at Sabetha on Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:00 PM in the first round of sub-state basketball action.



Atchison County Community Junior Senior High School congratulates the 2015 King and Queen of Courts and their court.

Kyle Kimmi was named King of Courts and Katie Sullivan was named Queen of Courts.

Rounding out the royal court were candidates Courtney Coder, Raven Hundley, Chris Larson and Jesse Noll.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS II



Student Ambassadors II work together to develop a Stand Up Student Ambassador code of conduct to help with future training opportunities involving the junior senior high school.



ACCES Kindergarten & Preschool Screening



We will be holding kindergarten and preschool screening at the Effingham Union Church, 515 Seabury St., on April 23rd from 9:00—4:00 and April 24th from 8:00-12:00. The entire screening will take about an hour per child (30 minutes for preschool screening). Please call the Elementary School at (913) 833-4420 to schedule a time and for more information. Students 5 years old on or before August 31st, 2015 are eligible for kindergarten for the upcoming school year. Students must be 4 on or before August 31st, 2015 to be eligible for preschool.



Please bring with you:
***Birth Certificate**
***Immunization Record**

Congratulations to our 2015 Spelling Bee competitors, 7th Grade: Dekoda Allen, Sarah Kimmi, Nick Anderson, and Jayden McNerny and 8th Grade: Makaea Forbes and Caleb Snyder. They all did a great job representing ACCJSHS. Sara Kimmi made it to the 3rd round, Jayden McNerny made it to the 4th round, and Caleb Snyder made it all the way to the Top Eight finishers.



Spellers L to R: Dekoda Allen, Sarah Kimmi, Jayden McNerny, Makaea Forbes, Nick Anderson and Caleb Snyder.

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