

Community Connections

MAY 2022



THIRD PLACE FINISH AT STATE

This Silver Lake Lady Eagles had an amazing run this year as they made their way to the 3A state basketball tournament. The Lady Eagles entered the post-season with only one loss and kept regional play interesting with some very close matches!

The Silver Lake student section had a strong showing during the girls' state basketball run, not only in numbers, but in how they conducted themselves. We are honored to be awarded the sportsmanship award from the Kansas State High School Activity Association (KSHSAA). This award encompasses the entire school fanbase which includes cheerleaders, student cheer section, team, team coaches and fans. Thank you to our students and fans for showing what being an Eagle is all about!

SILVER LAKE SCHOOLS
NEWSLETTER

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HIGH SCHOOL ART STUDENTS SHINE AT LEAGUE

63 submissions were sent to the league art competition, and Silver Lake students walked away with 24 pieces placing including 9 submissions being awards a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place and Best in Show! Congratulations to the following students:

2D- BEST IN SHOW

1st- Mariah Farmer- Achilles

Jewelry and glass

3rd- Destiny Stafford

2D Altered surface

HM- Dani Farris

HM- Kale Frehe

Colored Pencil Drawings

1st- Mariah Farmer- Achilles

2nd- Mariah Farmer- Jaguar

3rd- Mariah Farmer- Misunderstood

HM- Makenzie Graf

HM- Madison Teel

Hand built ceramics

3rd- Taylor Zordel

HM- Dani Farris

HM- Eva Herrmann

HM- Lily Schuckman

Sculpture in the Round

HM- Alana Brewster

Photography

HM- Sam Kelly

Ink drawing

2nd- Dani Farris

3rd- Mariah Farmer

Graphic Design

3rd- Ella Day

2D Miscellaneous

HM- Gracie Flach

Oil painting

1st- Mariah Farmer

Pencil Novice

HM- Ella Day

HM- Maddie Fieger

May Important Dates

6 No Preschool

13 HS Graduation Practice/Senior, Spring Awards

15 High School Graduation

17 8th Grade Promotion

18 Grade School Field Day/Last Day of School

5TH GRADERS COMPLETE DARE PROGRAM

The 5th grade class are the most recent DARE graduates! We continue to partner with the Shawnee County Sherriff's Office to offer this program for our students. While working through several weeks of the program, students learn about making good choices in school, relationships and life in general.



There are discussions on substance abuse, bullying and overall good decision making. Congratulations on completing the program.

UNIFIED BOWLING COMING TO SILVER LAKE

At the April Board of Education meeting, the board approved Silver Lake creating a Unified Bowling Team. Unified Bowling is a partnership between KSJSAA and the Special Olympics Kansas to promote social inclusion through shared sports training and competition experiences. This program will join people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team with the goal to develop a quick path to friendship and understanding.

The bowling season will be part of fall sports and games will be played with the student pairs alternating frames bowled. Matches will consist of six games, with the total of all games bowled as the team score. This will also be comprised of mixed gender, allowing both boys and girls to take part.



"We are excited for the opportunity to introduce Unified Sports to Silver Lake High School. Unified Bowling will be a great inclusive opportunity for our students. We look forward to participating in this excellent opportunity."

- Greg Harman

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STAFF RETIREMENTS

This time of year always brings about a new chapter for some of our staff, as they decide to take the next step in their lives by retiring. This year is no different! We want to say congratulations and happy retirement to the following Silver Lake staff members:

Warren Bledose - Assistant Football Coach

Warren will continue in his roles as assistant principal and athletic director.

Dan Francis - Bus Driver

CJ Hamilton - Football Coach and Teacher

Clara Menhusen - Paraeducator

Ravae Murdock - Bus Driver

Adella Taylor - Bus Driver

Eileen Ziegler - Paraeducator

FORENSICS STUDENTS HEADING TO STATE AND NATIONALS

For the second year in a row, Silver Lake will be represented at the state and national level for Forensics. Coach, Michelle Taylor, announced that sophomores Brooklyn Rupp, Drake Sexton and Allie Sexton, will all represent Lake at state in May. In addition, Allie has qualified for Nationals in dramatic interpretation and will be traveling to Louisville this summer.

Congratulations to all of you on an amazing season!



HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR SHINES AT STATE

The high school choir took part in the small group state music festival, where they were awarded 45 medals and three certificates of excellence.

Students completed in a variety of categories and found a lot of success. Select Choir, Men's Ensemble and Women's Ensemble received one ratings. Vocal Soloists Brooklyn Rupp, Cassie Smith, Gavin English, Jarrett Davis and Michael Kalas received ones and Olivia Day and Trinidad Garcia received twos. Avri Broxterman received a two on her clarinet solo.



PEGAM NAMED NEW HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

Silver Lake USD 372 has named Logan Pegram to succeed legendary coach CJ Hamilton, as the next high school football coach. Pegram has been coaching football since 2018 including serving as both an assistant coach and head football coach for Anderson County High School, and most recently an assistant football coach at Lawrence Free State High School.

He graduated from Silver Lake in 2008 continuing his football career at Northern Illinois University. He is also a licensed teacher holding a Bachelors of Art in History from Northern Illinois University and a Masters of Art in Education from Fort Hays State University. In 2019, Pegram was named a Horizon Award winner by the Kansas Department of Education, and will teach social studies as well as serve as the internship coordinator.

COMMUNITY NEWS



SL FARMERS MARKET

The Silver Lake Farmers Market starts June 7th and runs until Sept. 13th. It will be open every Tuesday from 6-8p.m., at the Silver Lake Library.

The Library will be hosting a vendor's informational meeting on May 3rd @ 6:00 p.m.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor, stop by the library to pick up an application or visit our website: <https://silverlakelibrary.org/silver-lake-farmers-market/>

CHANGE TO SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAM FOR 2022-23

The federal program allowing free breakfast and lunch for the past two years is coming to an end. This means, next year parents will be responsible for paying for their student's meals as was the case prior to covid.

Families who apply and meet the income guidelines could still qualify for free or reduced cost meals for next school year, but please remember you must re-apply each school year. The application for 2022-23 should be available on July 1. Any money already in your child's account will carry over to next year.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM JUNE 1-JULY 31



Explore the great, wide ocean with us this summer! Participate in water themed activities and programs and join us for stories featuring the amazing high seas.

Reading is a journey that can last all summer and is a trip that can happen right in your living room. Participants can earn prizes by logging books read and activities done on our Beanstack app. Use your computer, smartphone or tablet to sign-up! We hope to see everyone here this summer. Happy reading Silver Lake!

Registration starts May 9th at the Silver Lake Library.