



MALVERN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Home of Leopards

“Where PASSION, PRIDE, & EXCELLENCE are expected.”

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The district hopes everyone had a great October and a Happy Halloween! Even with the health situation ongoing in our community, state, and nation, the district has continued to provide recognition and events for our students. Most of you have probably noticed our efforts to communicate more through our social media outlets and our website. With the changes in rules and regulations across the state for school districts, we felt more social media communication would give all of our community members and followers an opportunity to see what we are doing in the district on all fronts and give people an opportunity to meet many of our staff members. We have also began live streaming our football games, and we plan to expand coverage of our events as we move forward throughout the school year. Hopefully, these efforts will showcase our students, staff, and district in terms of their accomplishments, events, and classroom/school environments. The district's goal is to remain focused on our PASSION for our students' learning, PRIDE of being a LEOPARD, and continuing to provide opportunities of EXCELLENCE for all our students as we work through all the modifications and limitations we are experiencing!

The October “Students of the Month” were recognized virtually at our regular monthly board meeting this past month. Unfortunately, we were unable to take a group picture of our students as we normally do. However, a video was released via social media to the board members and public so our students could be recognized. Each of these students received a certificate of appreciation, a \$25 gift card to Walmart, and a Malvern Leopard gift bag (sponsored by the Malvern Leopard Foundation). Congratulations to the following students!

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| Kindergarten – Jade Hunter | 1 st grade – Gavin Marshall | 2 nd grade – Isaac Bechtel |
| 3 rd grade – Layla Rock | 4 th grade – Allison Smith | 5 th grade – Jessica Pacheco |
| 6 th grade – Jocelin Ortiz | 7 th grade – Jesscia Valdivia | 8 th grade – Dean Lane |
| 9 th grade – Devin Sanders | 10 th grade – Julia Conklin | 11 th grade – Dacey Cross |
| 12 th grade – Christian Skaggs | | |

Malvern High School students were also recognized virtually by the Malvern Leopard Foundation at the October board meeting for their performance on last spring's ACT test and Advanced Placement (AP) Class test scores. If a student scores a 27-29 on the ACT, the student is awarded \$50 by the foundation. If a student scores 30 or higher on the ACT, the foundation awards \$100. Students with AP test scores of 3 or higher (5 is a top score) are awarded college credit hours and are recognized with cash awards from the foundation as well. The awards on AP test are \$25 for a 3, \$50 for a 4, and \$75 for a 5. Below is a list of all the high school students recognized for their spring testing performance. CONGRATULATIONS to all of these students!

AP Awards: Kelsey Dingler (3) English Literature - Laura Paul (3) Biology, (3) English Language, (4) US History – Ethan Braziel (4) English Language – Melissa Nix (4) Biology – Elli White (3) English Language, (3) US History – Kaitlyn Byrd (3) Biology – Makenzie Hambrick (3) English Language – Rosemary Harmon (3) Biology – Margaret Rood (3) English Language – Taylor Vik (3) US History – Hayden Woods (3) US History – Benjamin Capes (3) Biology - Audrey Carr (3) World History – Lily Cowling (3) World History – Aunna Hughes (3) World History

ACT Awards: Laura Paul – 32, Barrett Henderson – 29, Kaitlyn Byrd – 28, Audrey Carr – 28, Rosemary Harmon – 28, and Joseph Presley – 27

On Friday, October 23rd, the 11th Class of the Malvern Leopard Foundation Wall of Honor were recognized at our Homecoming Football Game. The Class of 2020 includes: Eugene Henshaw, Mark Roberts, Bill Scrimshire, and Deborah Smith. Congratulations to each of these inductees, and thank you for all your contributions to the Malvern School District!

Just a reminder to parents that Parent/Teacher Conferences for the district are scheduled for Thursday, November 19th. Conferences will be conducted from 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. Each campus will be sending out additional information soon if they have not already done so. Please feel free to contact your child's school if you have questions.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our district!

Brian Golden, Superintendent

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