



**Purpose - Passion - Pride**

# USD 350 St. John-Hudson Newsletter

**ST. JOHN-HUDSON SCHOOLS, USD 350**  
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## MISSION STATEMENT

*Our mission is to ensure that students will find their purpose and become successful, lifelong learners and positive contributors in a changing world.*

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## Superintendent's News

Excitement is the best word to describe this time of year in our schools. Excitement surrounds the students and their programs and activities, banquets and celebrations, class parties and field trips. For most of the kids, the countdown to summer break has begun. Students in the class of 2018 are excited to be preparing for their final days of high school.

The last day of school for students is May 22<sup>nd</sup>. School will dismiss at 11:00 that day and lunch will not be served. This is a busy time with many activities and ceremonies to celebrate student accomplishments. Preschool graduations will be at 8:30 and 12:30 on May 17<sup>th</sup> and Kindergarten graduation will be held at 2:00 on May 21<sup>st</sup> in the main gym. We will have an awards assembly for the other elementary grades at 9:30 on May 22<sup>nd</sup> also in the main gym.

The last day for our senior class is May 15<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate these students' accomplishments at the Senior Class Night on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the auditorium. Commencement will be held at 4:00 in the main gym on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

The beginning of May marks teacher appreciation week. Our teachers work hard every day to make a positive impact on the lives of the kids in our community. Todd Whitaker says, "The best thing about being a teacher is that it matters. The hardest part about being a teacher is that it matters every single day." Please take a moment this month to show appreciation to the teachers you know.

We are fortunate to have some great, experienced employees here at USD 350 with many years of experience. The downside of this experience is that they feel they must retire one day. Mrs. Friesen and Mrs. Teresa Miller have both announced their retirements effective at the end of this school year. It's always tough to lose such quality experience which includes a combined 69 years of service to USD 350. However, we congratulate them on their upcoming, well-deserved retirements. Classified employees Nancy Rice and Becky Thrasher will also be retiring. We will hold a retirement reception their honor in the library community room on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.



The academic calendar for the 2018-19 school year has been approved by the board of education. School will begin on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and end on May 21<sup>st</sup>. The calendar can be found on our school district website.

The legislature has approved a school funding bill that provides additional funding for schools in Kansas over the next five years. There was a technical error in the bill that reduced the funding considerably from what legislators thought they were approving. The bill as intended would provide an additional \$65,000 for our budget next year. The bill with the error would result in a loss of about \$10,000 in funding for our school district.

The bill also artificially inflates the base aid amount from \$4,006 per student to \$4,900. Much of this increase is attained by using dollars from our local option budget. This does nothing to increase the actual dollars going to fund our schools. This just takes money from one area of our budget and assigns it to another. It is like moving money from your left pocket to your right pocket. You have the same amount of money, it's just now in a different place. The actual increase in per pupil funding is increased about 4%, from \$4,006 to \$4,165.

The legislature must decide on a fix for the funding bill before it is sent to the state supreme court for review. My hope is that this situation is resolved by the time this article is published.

Representatives from Stafford and USD 350 met several weeks ago to discuss the possibility of combining football programs. These discussions focused on the junior high teams. Since the state already has a schedule established for the next two years, combining high school teams is not a possibility right now. The meetings were very positive and collaborative. However, in the end the committee determined it would be best for each school to keep their own teams for next fall.

Mike Simpson, SJH math teacher, will be the new head coach for the high school program and Mike Manderino, English teacher, the head coach for the junior high team. I feel good about the direction of our football program and I know these two gentlemen will be a positive influence on our young men.

As always, if you'd like to visit about any of these topics or have other questions or concerns, I can be reached at 620-549-3564 or [meyerj@usd350.com](mailto:meyerj@usd350.com). I am proud to be a Tiger and proud to serve USD 350 with Purpose, Passion, and Pride.

-Josh Meyer – USD 350 Superintendent

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
		<b>1</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Burrito Peaches Pineapple/Orange Juice Cereal Milk	<b>2</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Biscuits & Gravy Sliced Peas Grape Juice Cereal Milk	<b>3</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Pizza Pineapple Apple Juice Cereal Milk	<b>4</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Banana Bread Peaches Orange Juice Cereal Milk
			<b>LUNCH</b>		<b>LUNCH</b>		<b>LUNCH</b>		<b>LUNCH</b>
			Sloppy Joe/Bun French Fries Baked Beans Sliced Peas Fresh Fruit Milk		Cheese Pizza Lettuce Salad Peas Pineapple Fresh Fruit Milk		Chicken Nuggets Potatoes & Gravy Mixed Vegetables Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk		Spaghetti Lettuce Salad Green Beans Applesauce French Bread Fresh Fruit Milk
<b>7</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Bites Applesauce Grape Juice Cereal Milk	<b>8</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Pop Tart Peaches Apple Juice Cereal Milk	<b>9</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Pizza Pineapple Orange/Pineapple Juice Cereal Milk	<b>10</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> French Toast Sticks Pears Orange Juice Cereal Milk	<b>11</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Bar Peaches Apple Juice Cereal Milk
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<b>21</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast Bites Peaches Apple Juice Cereal Milk	<b>22</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Banana Bread Pears Grape Juice Cereal Milk		This Institution is an equal opportunity provider				
			<b>LUNCH</b>		<b>LUNCH</b>				
			Ham & Cheese Sandwich Lettuce Salad Broccoli Pineapple Fresh Fruit Cookie Milk						
			11:00am Dismissal No Lunch Served						

# MAY 2018

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State Track

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Day	Event
1	6:30pm JH Sports Banquet
2	12:31pm Honors Luncheon
3	11:00pm Varsity Golf @ Hutchinson 2:00pm JH Track @ Kinsley
4	4:00pm HS Track @ Ellinwood ACT Registration deadline for 6/9
5	

Day	Event
6	1:00pm CPL Golf @ Kinsley 7:00pm 5th-8th Band/Choir Concert
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8	10:00am JH CPL Track @ Kinsley
9	FCCLA Elections & Pizza Lunch LS-Class Meetings 4:00-8:00pm Free
10	3:00pm HS CPL Track (H)
11	12:15pm K-6 Track Meet
12	

Day	Event
13	7:00pm JH/HS Band/Choir Concert 8:15pm BOE Meeting
14	
15	Seniors Last Day (1/2 day) 6:30pm HS Sports Banquet
16	7:00pm Baccalaureate
17	2:30pm Graduation Practice 7:00pm Senior Night
18	3:00pm- Regional Track @ Montezuma
19	4:00pm Graduation
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Day	Event
21	2:00pm Kindergarten Graduation
22	Last day for students 11:00 Dismissal PM staff workday
23	Teacher Workday
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Day	Event
27	Memorial Day
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# Stay Safe

The St. John High School SAFE team has completed the final seat belt survey for the 2017-2018 school year. This year proved to be another successful year!

The baseline (beginning of the year survey) resulted in 72% drivers and passengers belted and the final survey, that was just completed this month, resulted in 85% drivers and passengers belted!

Back in 2013 when the SAFE program was first introduced to Stafford County-St. John High School had a baseline result of 62% of drivers and passengers belted.

With these kind of number increases over of the years it shows that this program has created a positive behavioral change within the community. And although these numbers show the increase in seat belt usage they do not show all of the positive changes that have come from the other safety messages the SAFE team has presented throughout the year.

*~Technical Trooper Jeff Schawe, Kansas Highway Patrol*





# St. John-Hudson USD 350



## 2018-19 School Calendar

BOE Approved 3/12/18

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AUGUST	
7	Student Enrollment 12 Noon to 7 PM
17	New Staff Orientation
20	Half-Day Staff Dev. / Half-Day Workday
21	Staff Development
22	Teacher Work Day
23	First Day of School

SEPTEMBER	
3	LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL
17	Staff Development - NO SCHOOL

OCTOBER	
12	End 1st 9 weeks (35 days)
15	1/2 Staff Dev. / 1/2 Workday - NO SCHOOL
22-23	Parent-Teacher Conferences - 4:00-7:30pm
26	NO SCHOOL (In lieu of P.T. Conf 10/22-23)

NOVEMBER	
14	Early Dismissal (1:00) - Staff Development
21-23	THANKSGIVING VACATION - NO SCHOOL

DECEMBER	
5	Early Dismissal (1:00) - Staff Development
20	End 2nd 9 weeks(44 days)/1st sem(79 days)
21-1/2	WINTER VACATION - NO SCHOOL

JANUARY	
2	1/2 Teacher Workday - NO SCHOOL
3	Begin 2nd Semester
14	Staff Development - NO SCHOOL

FEBRUARY	
15	NO SCHOOL
18	Staff Development - NO SCHOOL
28	End 3rd 9 weeks (38 days)

MARCH	
1	1/2 Staff Dev. / 1/2 Workday - NO SCHOOL
11	Parent-Teacher Conferences - 3:00-9:00pm
15	NO SCHOOL (In lieu of P.T. Conf 3/11)
18-22	Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

APRIL	
19	Good Friday - NO SCHOOL
24	Early Dismissal (1:00) - Staff Development

MAY	
21	Last Half-Day of School
21	End 4th 9 weeks(49.5 days)/2nd sem(87.5 days)
21	Half-Day Teacher Work Day
22	Teacher Work Day

Contract Days	
166.5	Students in Class
2.0	Parent/Teacher Conferences
5.5	Staff Development Days (+1 new staff)
4.5	Teacher Work Day
178.5	TOTALS

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School Day  
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## CPL Art Show

The CPL art show was hosted by Macksville this year. We had a fun and chilly day of art and activities. We brought home 8 medals for St. John. Congratulations to the following:

- ◆ Damian Rios 3rd pen and ink
- ◆ Torre Fisher 1st Acrylic and oil painting
- ◆ Torre Fisher 2nd Fibers
- ◆ Kyle Burke 2nd Watercolor painting
- ◆ Kyle Burke 3rd Acrylic Painting
- ◆ Wrangler Walker 3rd Computer generated
- ◆ Jordon Willinger-James 1st sculpture
- ◆ Jordon Willinger-James 3rd mixed media



## **St. John High Applied Business Class Places in the 2018 Central Kansas (YEC) Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge**

Tiger Town Pizza has been a buzz for a long time in town and there have many challenges and accomplishments in the development of the business this school year. Recently the applied business class took their knowledge to the test. They competed and place first in the tradeshow and second in the sales presentation. This was the first time St. John High has competed in this event.

The YEC Series is a unified collection of locally- organized entrepreneurship competitions. Events are designed to give middle school and high school students a hands-on entrepreneurship experience. The competitions consist of students preparing a written executive summary, a 4-minute presentation, and may also include an additional component such as a tradeshow or elevator pitch. The students' work was be judged by a local entrepreneur, a public sector partner, a teacher, and/or other adult. YEC series is coordinated by NetWork Kansas and the E-Community Partnership

The class discussed submitting a bid to win an opportunity to compete at the state competition, but it was to be held on a day where three of the students had other school activities so they decided not to.



Applied Business class members: L to R. Liam Lanterman, Brianna Banks, Jaden Reed, Cashe McVey & Roger Ramirez.

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## Microsoft Word 2016 Certification

Congratulations to the 13 students who passed the Microsoft Office Specialist exam for Microsoft Word 2016 in Mrs. Kinnamon's Computer Applications class:

**Connor Engel, Trey Fisher, Itzel Guillen, Tanner Halling, Dayton Long, Jeffrey Lyon, Riley McCandless, Cashe McVey, Alexis Moss, Leslie Ramirez, Julia Taylor, Jonathan Villanueva, and Shelby Weaver.**

Career and Technical Education programs nationwide are encouraging students to earn certifications. Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification is the premier credential chosen by individuals seeking to validate their skills and advance their careers. Microsoft Office Specialist certification gives the tools to build a brighter future.

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- Learn the computing skills companies are looking for
- Boost your workforce resume
- Differentiate yourself from other applicants
- Prepare yourself for a successful future

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