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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.

Board of Education

Chad Fisher
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Carl Behr

Vance Fisher

Darin Brummer

Debby Waddle

Shawn Ward

January 2018

Superintendent's News

So who wants to talk politics? This question is often met with eye rolls and sighs these days. For me to wade too deep into all things political is almost guaranteed to make enemies. It seems we have become more and more divided on political issues. It also feels as though every issue has become political.

As your school board and superintendent, we have to be concerned with political issues. Decisions made at the state and federal level impact our district. For instance, the tax plan in the works at the federal level contains some provisions that could be detrimental to public schools. The health of the state's budget and tax policy has a direct impact on the district's operational budget.

We often assign a political "side" to people according to where they fall on one issue or another. But most of these issues are not simply black or white; they are very complicated. As we move into the new year and a new legislative session, my hope is that we can focus more on the facts of each issue as opposed to which "side" one is on. I don't believe things will be less divisive overnight, but it appears that we are headed that way...at least in Kansas.

An important aspect of public education is that of local control. The state puts significant emphasis on the role of the local school board in the decision-making process. In fact, in 1966 the people of Kansas amended our state's constitution to specifically call for local public schools that are 'maintained, developed and operated by locally elected boards.'

It is all too easy to put off saying "thank you" to this group of individuals who work tirelessly on behalf of our children and grandchildren. They volunteer their time and spend many hours preparing to make decisions, participating in meetings and attending school activities and events.

January 2018 is designated as "School Board Recognition Month," and we encourage you take the time to express appreciation to these seven individuals. Your board members are: Chad Fisher (president), Derek Foote (vice-president), Carl Behr, Darin Brummer, Vance Fisher, and Debby Waddle. Shawn Ward is the newest board member who takes over for Barb Alpers this month. Barb was recognized last month for her 8 ½ years of service on the board. We thank her for all of her efforts during her two terms in office.

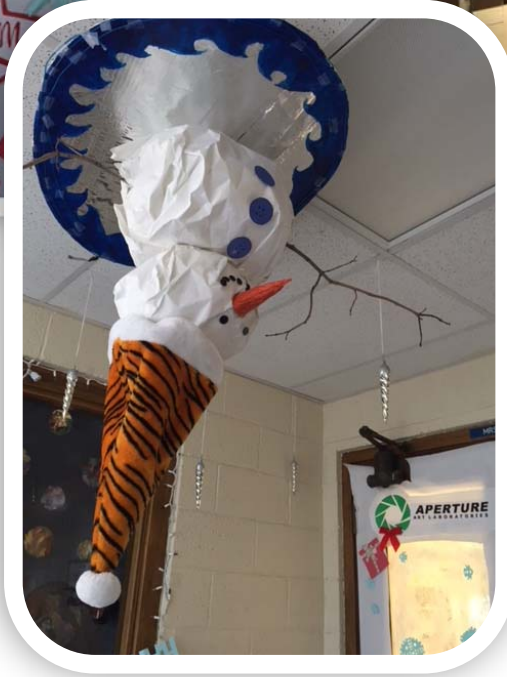
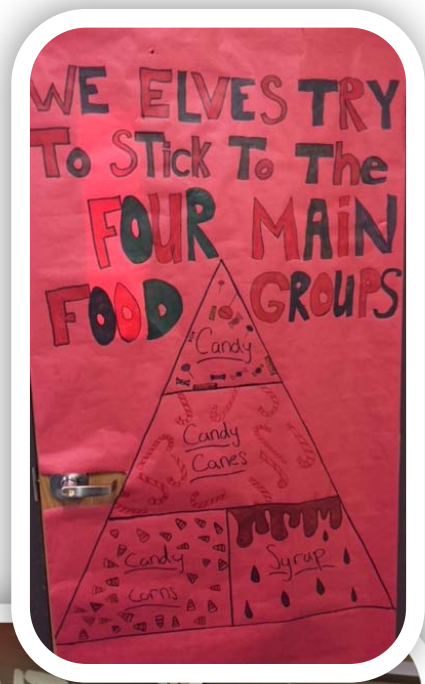
In an upcoming St. John News publication, you will see a report about USD 350's property tax rate. We publish this notice whenever the total tax dollars levied by the district is more than calculated inflation. This year's budget shows an increase of 7.6% in tax dollars levied. This is only for the dollars levied, and not the mill levy. The tax rate actually went down by 1.7 mills this year.

This report is a simplified, one-year snapshot and does not accurately report to taxpayers the entire picture of the tax burden associated with our school district. The fact is that the total taxes levied for this year is only 0.6% higher than a decade ago. Some years it's been higher and other years lower. This year's mill rate and dollars levied are actually very near the average from the past 10 years. I hope this helps explain this budget publication and give patrons an accurate picture of the property tax situation.

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. I am proud to be a Tiger and proud to serve USD 350 with *Purpose, Passion, and Pride.* *Josh Meyer USD 350 Superintendent*

High School Door Decorating





PAJAMA DRIVE

Elementary students partnered with Scholastic Book Clubs for a Pajama Drive. For every pair of pajamas donated, Scholastic will donate a book; pajamas and books will be donated to children in shelters around the area. Students brought in 73 sets of pajamas over the past few weeks, which will be delivered soon. Preschool through 6th grade students participated.



T-SHIRT DESIGN WINNER

Congratulations to Fabian Gracia! Fabian won the Robotics T-shirt Design Contest! Thank you to the Huston and Sander's families for sponsoring the team members' and Fabian's T-shirts!

JH FACS

8th grade working diligently on their pillows before Christmas break.



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MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 BREAKFAST	2 BREAKFAST	3 BREAKFAST	4 BREAKFAST	5 BREAKFAST
NO SCHOOL!!!	NO SCHOOL!!!	Biscuits & Gravy Applesauce Orange Juice Cereal Milk	Pancake on a Stick Pineapple Apple Juice Cereal Milk	Banana Bread Peaches Pineapple/Orange Juice Cereal Milk
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
This Institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider	NO SCHOOL!!!	Quesadilla Tossed Salad Corn Pineapple Fresh Fruit Milk	Chicken & Noodles Whipped Potatoes Peas Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Cheesburger/Bun French Fries Baked Beans Pears Fresh Fruit Cookie Milk
8 BREAKFAST	9 BREAKFAST	10 BREAKFAST	11 BREAKFAST	12 BREAKFAST
Breakfast Bites Sliced Pears Grape Juice Cereal Milk	Pop Tart Mixed Fruit Apple Juice Cereal Milk	Breakfast Burrito Peaches Pineapple/Orange Juice Cereal Milk	French Toast Sticks Pineapple Orange Juice Cereal Milk	Breakfast Bar Applesauce Apple Juice Cereal Milk
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Italian Pasta Bake Lettuce Salad Green Beans Mixed Fruit Fresh Fruit French Bread Milk	Chicken Nuggets Potatoes & Gravy Broccoli Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Soft Taco Lettuce & Tomatoes Refried Beans Pineapple Fresh Fruit Milk	Chili Relish Plate Sliced Pears Crackers Fresh Fruit Cinnamon Roll Milk	Pepperoni Pizza Lettuce Salad Peas Applesauce Fresh Fruit Milk
15 BREAKFAST	16 BREAKFAST	17 BREAKFAST	18 BREAKFAST	19 BREAKFAST
NO SCHOOL!!!	Breakfast Pizza Peaches Grape Juice Cereal Milk	Biscuits & Gravy Pears Pineapple/Orange Juice Cereal Milk	Pancake on a Stick Mixed Fruit Apple Juice Cereal Milk	Banana Bread Pears Orange Juice Cereal Milk
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NO SCHOOL!!!	Huntington Chicken Lettuce Salad Green Beans Pears Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Taco Soup Relish Plate Sliced Pears Fresh Fruit Birthday Cake Milk	Chicken Fried Steak Potatoes & Gravy Mixed Vegetables Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Hamburger/Bun French Fries Baby Carrots Applesauce Fresh Fruit Milk
22 BREAKFAST	23 BREAKFAST	24 BREAKFAST	25 BREAKFAST	26 BREAKFAST
Breakfast Bites Peaches Apple Juice Cereal Milk	Pop Tart Applesauce Orange Juice Cereal Milk	Breakfast Burrito Pineapple Pineapple/Orange Juice Cereal Milk	French Toast Sticks Pears Apple Juice Cereal Milk	Breakfast Bar Mixed Fruit Fruit Juice Blend Cereal Milk
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Chicken Tetrastini Lettuce Salad Baby Carrots Applesauce Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Bar-B-Q Rib/Bun French Fries Carrots & Celery Mixed Fruit Fresh Fruit Milk	Lasagna Lettuce Salad Green Beans Pears Fresh Fruit French Bread Milk	Chicken Strips Potatoes & Gravy Mixed Vegetables Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Sloppy Joe/Bun Tater Wedges Baked Beans Pineapple Cookie Fresh Fruit Milk
29 BREAKFAST	30 BREAKFAST	31 BREAKFAST		
Pancake on a Stick Pineapple Grape Juice Cereal Milk	Breakfast Pizza Applesauce Fruit Juice Blend Cereal Milk	French Toast Sticks Peaches Apple Juice Cereal Milk		
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH		
Cheese Pizza Lettuce Salad Peas Applesauce Fresh Fruit Milk	Cowboy Cavatini Lettuce Salad Green Beans Pears Fresh Fruit French Bread Milk	Hamburger Gravy Whipped Potatoes Mixed Vegetable Peaches Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk		



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	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT																																																																																											
		1 NO SCHOOL	2 NO SCHOOL Half Teacher workday	3	4 4:00pm JH BB @ Kinsley	5 4:00pm HS BB @ Ness City	6 TBD-JH JV BB @ Ellinwood <i>Prom Parents Tourney</i> KMEA All State Instru-																																																																																											
7 <i>Prom Parents Tourney</i>		8 5:45pm JH BB vs Stafford (H) 6:00pm BOE Meeting	9 4:00pm HS BB vs Ellinwood (H)	10	11 5:45pm JH BB vs La Crosse (H) 9:30am Class Leadership @ Fairfield	12 3:00pm Jump Rope for Heart Information mtg ACT Registration deadline for	13																																																																																											
14		15 NO SCHOOL— Staff Development 5:45pm JH BB vs Central Plains (H)	16 TBD— Mid Winter Classic	17	18 TBD— Mid Winter Classic	19 TBD— Mid Winter Classic	20 TBD— Mid Winter Classic																																																																																											
21		22 4:00pm JH BB @ Macksville TBD-Girls BB Toumey @ Barton CC	23 TBD-Girls BB Toumey @ Barton CC	24 County Spelling Bee @ Stafford	25 5:45pm JH BB vs Ness City (H) TBD-Girls BB Toumey @ Barton CC	26	27 TBD-JH CPL BB @ Macksville																																																																																											
28		29 4:00pm CPL Scholar's Bowl @ Macksville TBD-JH CPL BB @ Macksville	30 4:00pm HS BB @ Norwich	31 Progress Reports 1:00pm Organizational Photos KAY Unit Conference @ Otis-Bison	<p>December 2017</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> <p>February 2018</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td></tr> <tr><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td></td></tr> </table>			S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31							S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
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