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

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USD 350 ST. JOHN-HUDSON NEW/SLETTER

November 2017

Superintendent's News November 2017

Across the state, there are several school districts participating in an effort to redesign schools to better meet the needs of students. Our district did not choose to participate in the formal redesign effort. However, this is not to say that things have not changed in our schools.

Some might wonder why things must be different asking, "What about the good old days?" The world is constantly changing and we are preparing kids for jobs that may not even exist yet. Consider research by the Georgetown Public Policy Institute that estimates by the year 2020, 71% of jobs in Kansas will require some sort of education after high school. Compare this to the 1970's when it was only about 30%. This is a dramatic increase in the need for post-secondary education which includes more than just college. It includes technical school and vocational certification programs.

Data shows that about 49% of SJH students are successful in post-secondary education two years after high school. This post-secondary success measure is defined as having earned a degree or certificate, or

successfully progressing to completion of a program. The 49% average for SJH is a bit above the state average, but much lower than the 71% needed. The state will be considering this post-secondary success measure in the new accreditation process.

So what are we doing to better prepare our kids? Our classes have less emphasis on what kids know and much more emphasis on what students can <u>do</u> with what they know. Class work must go beyond simple memorization. We incorporate more teamwork, technology use, and problem-based learning. We ensure that every student has a continuous

plan of study focused on career interests. We are offering new application classes like Environmental Resources & Wildlife, Robotics, and Applied Business Development. While our schools are not officially part of the state's redesign experiment, we are constantly tweaking what we do to better prepare our kids for their future.

Parent-teacher conferences were held recently. We always have a great turnout because we have great, supportive families in our community who care about education. The junior-senior high school implemented a new student-led conference this year. These new conferences are focused more on the students' career interests and preparation for their future. Feedback from staff and families was very positive and the turnout was much higher than usual.

The Tiger Town Pizza restaurant is well on its way to becoming a reality. Students in the applied business class are finalizing the business plan and have been tweaking their pizza recipes. Renovations on the

building are nearing completion, and much of the equipment has been purchased. The business will be operated by a separate non-profit entity created by Tony Delp and the Hall museum board. It's exciting to see the progress and it's been a great learning opportunity for our kids. You can follow the developments on the Tiger Town Pizza Facebook page. We are grateful for this opportunity for our students.

At last month's board meeting, several parents and community members were in attendance to ask the board to consider cooperating with another district for our football program. Participation numbers in football has been a concern for a few years. The goal all

along has been to maintain our own football team here in St. John. The board is now considering whether cooperating with another district would be better than trying to maintain our own team.

At this point, we have discussed combining with Stafford for junior high football. For the high school program, it is not an option to form a cooperative team at this time. The state follows a 2-year rotation for scheduling which has already been finalized for the next cycle. There are many questions to answer in both communities before making a decision to combine football teams. We are only beginning this process at this point. There will be ongoing discussions about this over the coming weeks.

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



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4th Annual Central Kansas

www.youtheshipchallenge.com

CHALLENGE



Tuesday March 13 2018

Auditorium, Kinsley Junior Senior High School 716 South Colony Avenue, Kinsley Contest Begins at 9 AM—Complimentary Lunch Served

Are you a Junior High or High School student that has created a product or service, or do you have an idea or concept that could lead to a business in the future? We invite you to compete, as an individual or a team, in the Central Kansas Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge. Each business will be judged on their Business Idea, Executive Summary, a 4-Minute Formal Presentation with Slides, and Answers to Judges Questions. The 1st Place Winner will receive \$1,000 and a guaranteed spot in the State Competition. The 2nd Place Prize is \$500 and 3rd Place is \$250. Students can also compete in the optional Tradeshow Competition with a 1st Place prize of \$250.

Deadline to Sign-up-December 1, 2017 To Sign-up, go to:

http://www.networkkansas.com/ecommunities/ youth/yec-event-portal and create a Student Profile.

Deadline to Register-February 26, 2018 To Register, Log-in to the YEC Event Portal and go to

Registrations. Select the Central Kansas YEC. You are not officially entered until your Executive Summary has been uploaded into the portal.

7th-12th Grade Students from Edwards, Hodgeman, Ness, Pawnee and Stafford Counties are eligible to compete.

For more information: www.edwardscounty.org/YEC Edwards County—Linette Miller—620-659-2711 , ecedc@sbcglobal.net Hodgeman County—Lea Ann Seiler—620-357-8831, hodgeman1@unitedwireless.com Pawnee County—Alex Filbert—620-285-6916, afilbert@gbta.net Ness County—Brent Kerr—785-798-0417, brent.kerr@usd303.org Stafford County—Ashlee Bevan—620-549-3527, Ashlee@staffordecodevo.com

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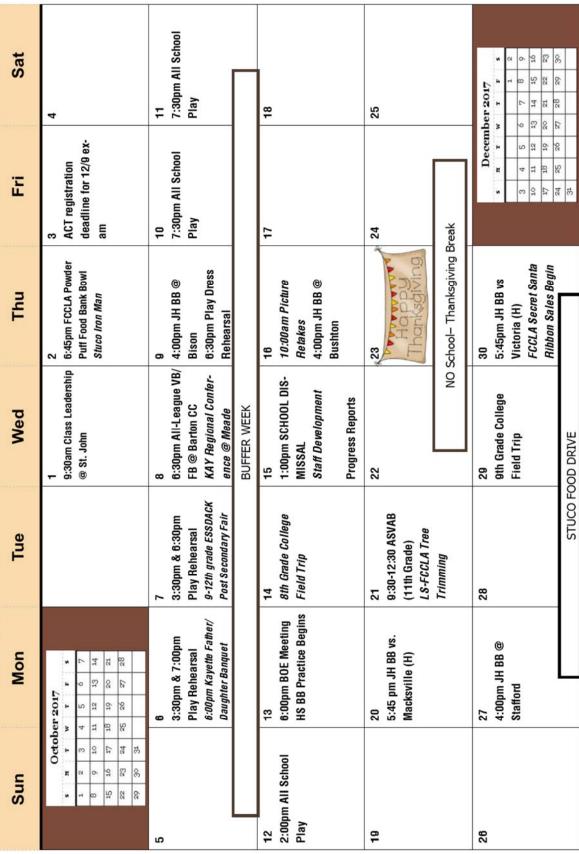
Launch your dreams.



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St. John High School Musical, Fall 2017

Friday, November 10, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 11, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, November 12, 2:00 p.m. St. John High School Auditorium

Rodgers & Hammerstein's OKLAHOMA!

In last month's article publicizing our musical for this school year (dates and times listed above), I listed students by their roles in the play or on the various crews. This time I am going to list our participants by class and name. We have forty-three students involved. It's a great group and they have been working so hard blocking scenes, learning songs—such as; *Oh, What a Beautiful Morning; The Surrey With the Fringe on Top, People Will Say We're in Love,* and , of course, *OKLAHOMA!* and the scripts.

As usual, there are lots of other activities going on in school: their academic classes, music, football, volleyball, cross country, and tennis; plus

family activities and after
-school jobs. Young students are sooo busy these
days, but, in the long run,
we believe all these are so
good for them as they
develop into the adults
we are helping them work
toward being after they
leave us at graduation!



The 43 students in the production listed by class are the following: <u>12th Grade Seniors</u>: Brianna Banks, Taylor Clark, Diana Dove-Long, Olivia Falk, Chase Fisher, Torre Fisher, Eddy Ibarra, Jeff Lyon, Ramsey McVey, Alexis Moss, Tara Nelson, Leslie Ramirez, Quincy Smith, Julia Taylor, Anyela Valenzuela, and Braden Witt.

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<u>11th Grade Juniors:</u> Riley Burbank, Kyle Burke, Shayla Garcia, Cashe McVey, Jacquelin Ramirez, Jaden Reed, Jackie Rios, Melissa Williamson, and Jordan Willinger-James.

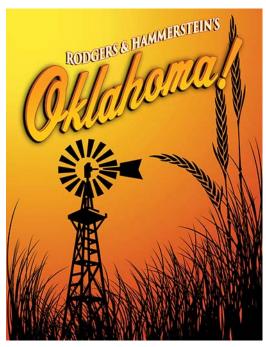
10th Grade Sophomores: Erin Crissman, America Fernandez, Trey Fisher, Tanner Halling, Clayton Huston, Dayton Long, Riley McCandless, Bree Meyer, AJ Miller, and Trevor Tanner.

9th Grade Freshmen: Luis Holguin and Jonathan Lyon.

<u>8th Grade Junior High:</u> Trinidad Garcia, and Darby Smith.

<u>7th Grade Junior High:</u> Blayr Doggett, Mackenzie Hacker, August Siefkes, and Addi Ward.

Wendy Hacker (Director) and Jane Bennington (Producer) are very happy to have the help this year of two of our St. John Alumni: **Kendra Hacker as Guest Director** and **Alyson Smith as Choreographer.** Their



youthful enthusiasm, strength, and work ethic are all good for our young cast to observe! We appreciate that they loved their musical experiences when they were in high school and, thus, are willing to give of their talents to younger actors.

We are so hoping to see many of you in the community—parents, grandparents, and friends—in the audience for one or more performances.

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FOOD BANK BOWL 2017

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND-BLIDE FIELD

7:00 P.M. — CROWNING 6:45 P.M.



Admission:
Non-perishable food
Non-perishable food
To be donated to
Tems. To be donated to
the Stafford Co.
Food Bank



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DISASTER RELIEF FUNDRAISING

St. John KAYs and KAYettes teamed up with Macksville's KAY, KAYette and FCCLA clubs to raise money for the natural disasters in the United States. Together the schools raised \$2,320 to help people in hurricane and wildfire areas.





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		Breakfast Burrito	French Toast Sticks	Breakfast Bar
		Sliced Pears	Mixed Fruit	Peaches
		Pineapple/Orange Juice	Apple Juice	Orange Juice
		Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk
		LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
		Cheese Quesadilla	Chicken Nuggets	Chili
		Lettuce Salad	Potatoes & Gravy	Relish Plate
		Corn	Green Beans	Mixed Fruit
		Mixed Fruit	Sliced Peaches	Crackers
		Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Cinnamon Roll
		Milk	Hot Roll Milk	Fresh Fruit Milk
BREAKFAST	7 BREAKFAST	8 BREAKFAST	9 BREAKFAST	10 BREAKFAST
Pancake on a Stick	Biscuits & Gra∨y	Pop Tart	Breakfast Pizza	Banana Bread
Applesauce	Peaches	Applesauce	Pears	Peaches
Grape Juice	Apple Juice	Orange/Pineapple Juice	Orange Juice	Apple Juice
Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Chicken Tetrazzini	Bar-B-Q Rib/Bun	Lasagna	Chicken Fried Steak	Taco Salad
Tossed Salad Cooked Broccoli	French Fries Relish Plate	Lettuce Salad Green Beans	Potatoes & Gravy	Lettuce & Tomatoes Cheddar Cheese
Sliced Peaches	Applesauce	Sliced Pears	Mixed Vegetables Peaches	Refried Beans
Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Pineapple
Hot Roll Milk	Milk	French Bread Milk	Hot Roll Milk	Fresh Fruit Milk
BREAKFAST	14 BREAKFAST	15 BREAKFAST	16 BREAKFAST	17 BREAKFAST
Breakfast Bites	Breakfast Bites	Breakfast Burrito	French Toast Sticks	Breakfast Bar
Pineapple	Pineapple	Peaches	Applesauce	Pears
Grape Juice	Apple Juice	Pineapple/Orange Juice	Grape Juice	Orange Juice
Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Fish	Huntington Chicken	Hamburger Gravy	Cheeseburger/Bun	Turkey & Dressing
French Fries	Lettuce Salad	Whipped Potatoes	Tater Wedges	Potatoes & Gra∨y
Mixed Vegetables	Green Beans	Broccoli	Baked Beans	Green Beans
Sliced Pears Fresh Fruit	Peaches Fresh Fruit	Applesauce Fresh Fruit	Pineapple Fresh Fruit	Hot Roll
Hot Roll Milk	Hot Roll Milk	Hot Roll Milk	Milk	Pumpkin Pie Milk
BREAKFAST	21 BREAKFAST	22 BREAKFAST	23 BREAKFAST	24 BREAKFAST
Pancake on a Stick	Pop Tart	EL BILLARI POT	20 BICE-ICI AO	24 DICE-ICI FIOT
Pears	Applesauce	NO	NO	NO
Apple Juice	Grape Juice	SCHOOL!	SCHOOL!	SCHOOL!
Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk			
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Taco Soup	Cheese Pizza		Ī	Ī
Baby Carrots	Lettuce Salad		Нарру	NO
Peaches	Corn	NO	THANKSGIVING!!!	SCHOOL!
Chips	Pineapple	SCHOOL!		
Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit			
Cookie Milk	Milk			
BREAKFAST	28 BREAKFAST	29 BREAKFAST	30 BREAKFAST	
Breakfast Bites	Breakfast Burrito	Breakfast Pizza	French Toast Sticks	
Pears	Peaches	Pineapple	Pears	
Grape Juice	Apple Juice	Orange/Pineapple Juice	Apple Juice	
Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	Cereal Milk	4
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	4
Pepperoni Pizza	Chicken Strips	Spaghetti	Salisbury Steak	
Corn	Potatoes & Gravy	Lettuce Salad	Potatoes & Gravy	
Lettuce Salad	Mixed Vegetables	Green Beans	Peas	
Peaches	Pineapple Fresh Fruit	Sliced Pears	Applesauce	
Fresh Fruit irthday Cake Milk	Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	Fresh Fruit French Bread Milk	Fresh Fruit Hot Roll Milk	

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FCS Getting' Their 'Food On'

When life hands you tomatoes, make salsa! That's exactly what the Culinary Essentials class has been doing this fall. Generous amounts of donated produce always make for a great learning and earning opportunity. Several lessons on food preservation techniques, safety, cost of production and sales discussed. Lots of taste testing also existed. If you are interested on purchasing a quart for \$8, please see Mrs. Patterson.







Eating is always on the minds of junior high students and learning how to measure, follow recipe instructions, food safety & sanitation, follow lab procedures makes it even better when the meal is ready. 8th grade Intro to FCS enjoy not only making but eating breakfast.







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