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## SUPERINTENDENT NEWS

by Josh Meyer, Superintendent

Gen. Colin Powell, who served as the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretary of state, passed away recently. With news of his passing, I am reminded of one of my favorite books written by him titled It Worked for Me: In Life and Leadership. In this memoir, Gen. Powell laid out his 13 rules of leadership that guided him throughout his career.

While I won't give you the full book report here, the first and last of his 13 rules stick out to me right now. The first rule on the list is "It ain't as bad as you think. It will look better in the morning." Rule \#13 is "Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier."

We've been talking a lot about resilience lately. In order to be resilient, to be able to bounce back from challenges, optimism is required. With the approach of Thanksgiving, I am reminded that to be optimistic, you must first be thankful. Every morning in the Kindergarten classroom, students start the day off by sharing something they are thankful for. Perhaps we could all learn from their example and start off our day by being thankful. If you are looking for a good book, I'd recommend Gen. Powell's book which can be checked out in our library.

In the coming years, over $70 \%$ of the jobs in Kansas will require some sort of post-secondary education. When we talk about post-secondary education, it is not just the pursuit of a bachelor's degree. Many of the post-secondary options also include technical degrees and certificate programs.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



## SOPHOMORE FUNDRAISER BEGINS

November 1st - November 18th
Pre-portioned cookies (3 dozen) and 3 pound cookie dough tubs for $\$ 15$. Candles and coffee for $\$ 14$. Please contact a sophomore student or Mrs. Feril for information or orders. All sales will be delivered around December 15th.

## REC BASKETBALL SIGNUPS

November 1st - November 19th
Divisions: 1-2nd Grade Boys \& Girls, 3-4th Grade Boys \& Girls, and 5th Grade Boys \& Girls. Signups will be available online at www.stjohnrec.com . Fee is $\$ 10$.

## SJH FCCLA POWDERPUFF FOOD BANK BOWL 2021

November 4th @ 6:45 pm
The public is invited to watch the annual Powderpuff Food Bank Bowl followed by Iron Man Volleyball. The crowing starts at $6: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ and the games begins at 7pm. Concessions will be available. Admission to the football game is a canned good. All proceeds will be donated to the local food bank.

## 24HR KANSAS FILM FESTIVAL COMPETITION - AV PRODUCTIONS

November 4th @ Commences during 2nd hour of school

## COMIC BOOK CLUB TRAVELS TO WATCH MARVEL'S THE ETERNALS

SWKMEA AUDITIONS, CLINIC \& CONCERT
November 6th
HS choir will travel to Dodge City for Live Auditions. JR Honor Band will participate in District Middle Level Band Clinic \& Concert.

## SCHOOL EARLY RELEASE

November 10th @ 1:15 pm

## CRAFT CLUB - YOUNG ADULTS 9TH - 12TH GRADE

November 10th @ 3:45 pm-5:00 pm
Sign up is required at the Ida Long Goodman Memorial Library front desk. The meeting is free and all supplies are provided. The class size is limited to 10 persons. For more information contact Ms. Davis.

## VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

November11th @ 9:00 am
A very special Veteran's Day program has been planned for the public to attend. Veterans are invited to come in at 8:30 am for baked goods and coffee.

## FHSU MATH RELAYS STATE COMPETITION <br> November 11th

Mrs. Feril will be escorting 8 students to the FHSU Math relay where they will complete against 700 other students on tests that range from number sense to trigonometry to using your calculator.

## SUPERINTENDENT NEWS

The state collects data to track post-secondary education progress each year. Progress is defined as earning an industry recognized certificate in high school or within two years of graduation, earning a post-secondary degree, or being successful in the first and second years of school following graduation.

Current data shows that around $54 \%$ of St. JohnHudson students meet this post-secondary education success criteria. This is higher than many of our peer school districts in our area. It is also high enough to be recognized by the state commissioner of education with the Commissioner's Award. We are proud of the SJH staff and students but will continue to work toward that $70 \%$ goal.

Research tells us that students who graduate high school with college credits are more likely to continue their education after graduation. They are also more likely to complete their chosen certificate or degree program.

For the last 6 years, the average number of college credit hours earned by students at SJH is just over 6 hours. The graduating class of 2021 had 16 out of 18 students gain some credit hours during high school. For those 16 students, the average number of credit hours earned in high school was 12.5.

The credit hours earned by SJH students are not just for bachelor's degree programs. They also include hours toward certificate or technical programs. Courses range from English Composition and College Algebra to Nursing Home Aide and Engine Repair.

It is important to ensure that all students have the opportunity to earn college credits in high school. Sometimes cost can be a barrier. There is very little financial aid available for students until after they have graduated high school. The Bonnie Dudrey Memorial in the USD 350 Education Foundation helps fill that gap. The Dudrey scholarship program provides over \$7,000 per year to help SJH students cover the cost of college courses taken while in high school. This scholarship program is providing an opportunity for many of our students to get a jump on their post-secondary education.

Mr. Russell Shields has announced his retirement as business/computer teacher at SJH. We want to thank him for his service to our school district. The board has approved hiring Natalie Clark for that position and she is set to start in November. Mrs. Clark has been with the KS state department of education as a career and technical education leader in our state. Before that she was a business teacher in Stafford. We are happy to -

- welcome her to the St. John Tiger family.

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


## GAME OF TITLES

Whether you read a lot of books or prefer to catch the movie, this fill-in-the-blank quiz will test your recall.

## 1. Call of the

A. Wild
D. Soldier
B. Stars
E. None of the Above
C. Wildman
2. One Hundred Years of
A. War
D. Rain
B. Solitude
E. B and C
C. Peace
3. The Chronicles of
A. Narnia
D. $A$ and $B$
B. Riddick
E. A, B and C
C. Peace
4. A
in Time
A. Wrinkle
D. A and B
B. Stitch
E. A, B and C
C. Ripple
5. Sense and

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A. Nonsense
D. Sensibility
B. Fury
E. Character
C. Sound
6. The

## in our Stars

A. Message
D. Fire
B. Picture
E. None of the Above
C. Fault

QUIZ RESULTS ON PAGE 8

# MAMMA MIA MUSICAL 

## HS / JR SPORTS EVENTS

FB REGIONALS
Nov. 5th
JR BB VS LA
CROSSE (HOME) Nov. 15th
JR BB VS CENTRAL
PLAINS (HOME) Nov. 18th

FB SUB STATE Nov. 19th
JRBB VS MACKSVILLE
(HOME)
Nov. 22nd
FB STATE
Nov. 27th

Events are subject to change without notice.

The public is invited to watch the High School production of Mamma Mia the Musical in the HS Auditorium on the following days:

- Friday, November 12th @ 7:00 pm
- Saturday, November 13th @ 7:00 pm
- Sunday, November 14th @ 2:00 pm

Ticket prices are $\$ 5.00$ for everyone between Kindergarten to Adult. All of pre-school and younger are free. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Hacker or the front office.

# CROSS COUNTRY QUALIFIES FOR STATE MEET 

by St. John Hudson USD 350 Facebook Page

Congrats to our Men's Cross Country Team. They placed 4th at regionals and competed at the State Meet on Saturday, October 30th at the Sand Plum Nature Trail in Victoria. They were sent off for the State Qualifying Tiger Cross Country Team on Thursday, October 28th in the main gym.



## MAMMA MIA MUSICAL - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

November 12th @ 7:00 pm, November 13th @ 7:00 pm November 14th @ 2:00 pm

Tickets are $\$ 5.00$ per person from Kindergarten to Adult. Anyone pre-school or younger is free.

## HOLIDAY SONG THEMED DOOR DECORATING CONTEST

November 15th until December 3rd
Decorate your LS or classroom door with any Holiday Song theme to enter the contest. The doors will be judged December 3rd. This contest is sponsored by FCCLA.

## PIE 4 PROM FUNDRAISER - TEACHER GETS HIT IN THE FACE WITH PIE DAY

November 22nd @ LS Time
Today is the day one lucky student will get to hit a teacher in the face with a pie! School is invited to watch. Follow us on FB for possible live stream. You can still purchase tickets until November 19th. Contact the front office, Spanish Room or any Junior student.

## NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING VACATION

November 24th - November 26th
Have a safe and restful Thanksgiving holiday. See you back at school on Monday, November 29th.

KINDERGARTEN - 3RD GRADE MUSIC PROGRAM - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
November 30th @ 7:00 pm
Family, friends and the community is welcome to join the Kindergarten through 3rd grade music program in the main gym.

## SSCTV CBT STUDENTS PRODUCING NEWS

Aaron Holguin and Chandler Williamson



Have news to share? Email Mrs. Mixon! mixoni@usd350.com

## 7TH \& 9TH GRADERS CREATE COMIC STRIPS

## COMPUTERS

by Mrs. Ixchel Mixon

The Interactive Media and 7th Grade Computer class completed a few digital products. The most humorous of them all were comic strips. They were tasked with the assignment to use Google Slides to create an illustration that looks like a comic strip. We enjoyed grading this project as it left us with smiles and giggles.

There were many great projects completed for this assignment. With the permission of the illustrators, we have included a few in this month's newsletter share with you what these students have created. Let us know if you have a favorite!
"I didn't do it", Edited by Garrett Dunn

"The letter 'i' ", Edited by Benjamin Cullum

"Same dog ", Edited by Braden Salem

"How many ", Edited by William Martin


## PTO ANNOUNCEMENT



## Everyone is invited to attend! ELEMENTARY CARNIVAL HOSTED BY ST. JOHN PTO

The Elementary PTO is hosting a carnival in the Big Gym and Commons Area on November 20th from 3 pm to 5 pm . All tickets are only 25 cents. They will have:

| - Cotton Candy | - Games | - Pop |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - Inflatables | - Prizes | - Chips |
| - Face Paintings | - Popcorn |  |
| - Hoop Shoot | - Water |  |



## NOVEMBER FOOD MENU

from USD 350 website

Breakfast
NOV 1 Pancake Stick,
Juice, Pears, Cereal
NOV 2 Muffin, Pineapple Juice, Cereal, Milk

NOV 3 Biscuits Gravy, Juice, Fruit, Cereal

NOV 4 French Toast Stick Pears, Juice, Cereal

NOV 5 Banana Bread, Fruit Juice, Cereal, Milk

NOV 8 Breakfast Bites, Juice, Cereal, Milk

NOV 9 Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Fruit, Milk

NOV 10 Breakfast Burrito, Pineapple, Cereal

NOV 11 Breakfast Bar, Juice, Cereal, Milk

NOV 12 Pumpkin Bread, Peaches, Cereal

Lunch
Pasta Bake, Salad,
Fruit, Green Beans
Chicken Patty, Gravy
Potatoes, Broccoli
Sweet \& Sour Chicken Rice Pilaf, Roll, Fruit

Beef Bean Burrito,
Salad, Corn, Fruit
BBQ Rib, Bun, Fries,
Baked Beans, Cookies
Spaghetti, Sauce,
Salad, Beans, Fruit
Salisbury Steak, Gravy
Potatoes, Peas, Fruit
Ham Cheese Sandwich, Carrots, Salad, Fruit, Cookie

Chicken Noodles,
Wedges, Broccoli
Chicken Quesadilla,
Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk

Breakfast
NOV 15 Pancake Stick, Juice, Applesauce

NOV 16 Muffin, Juice, Pears, Cereal, Milk

NOV 17 Biscuits Gravy, Juice, Fruite, Milk

NOV 18 French Toast Sticks Juice, Peaches, Milk

NOV 19 Banana Bread, Juice, Pineapple

NOV 22 Breakfast Bites, Juice, Fruit, Milk

NOV 23

NOV 29

NOV 30 Pop Tart, Fruit, Juice, Cereal, Milk

Lunch
Taco Salad, Cheese, Refried Beans, Cookie

Chicken Nuggets,
Beans, Fruit, Potatoes
Round Pepperoni
Pizza, Salad, Corn, Cake
Chicken Fried Steak, Potatoes, Broccoli, Roll

Cheeseburger, Fries, Carrots, Fruit, Cookie

Sloppy Joe, Wedges, Corn, Fruit, Cookie

Turkey, Dressing, Potatoes, Beans, Roll

Corn Dog, Wedges,
Carrots, Fruit, Milk
Chicken Fajita, Cheese, Refried Beans, Fruit

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY 2021 HOPEFUL HEARTS ART CONTENTS WINNERS

## LIBRARY NEWS



9th-Adult Division. Left to right: Helen Hullman, President of Friends of the Library, Willow Murphy (2nd place), Mason Gunter (3rd place), Brooke McKiearnan (1st place), Mary Fatzer, board member, Friends of the Library.


K - 8th Division. Left to right: Carter McKiearnan (tie for 3rd), Morgan McKiearnan (tie for 3rd), Cici Delp (2nd place), Victor Cornwell (1st place), Mary Fatzer, board member, Friends of the Library
points

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| B | $=0$ |
| C | $=5$ |
| D | $=0$ |
| E | $=0$ |

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## LIBRARY NEWS

## 2021 KANSAS NOTABLE BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE

by Laura Davis

2021 Kansas Notable Books are now available at the library. In particular, one of the books selected for this award is by local author Lynda Beck Fenwick. Copies of "The Prairie Bachelor" are available for sale in paperback at the library for $\$ 20$.

How Kansas Notables are chosen:
A committee of librarians, academics, and historians nominated titles from a list of eligible books, and state librarian Eric Norris selected the final list. In 2006, the first Kansas Notable Books list was announced. Since then more than 200 books have been recognized for their contribution to Kansas literary heritage.

Kansas Notable Books is a project of the Kansas Center for the Book. The Kansas Center for the Book is a program at the State Library of Kansas and the state affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book. The Kansas Center for the Book exists to highlight the state's literary heritage and foster an interest in books, reading, and libraries.

## STAY TO LEARN GRANT FROM KDHE

by Lisa Cornwell

USD 350 received a Stay to Learn grant from KDHE. The grant enables USD 350 to perform free covid testing for students and staff. This is an optional program that allows students to stay in school instead of quarantine if they have a daily negative covid test. Testing is performed behind the shop or right inside the shop garage doors if it's inclemate weather. The program does not stop the quarantine outside of the school or sports day. Students participating in the program have to wear a mask in school while they are in the testing program.

The grant also provided new equipment for the nurses office. A new printer, scanner, computer, ipad, desk, and air purifier are among the items received with the grant.


PRAIRIE BACHELOR: The Story of a Kansas Homesteader and the

The People's Party, the most successful third party in America's history, emerged from the Populist Movement of the late 1800 . And of the People's Party, there was perhaps no more exemplary proponent than homesteader Isaac Beckiey Werner of Stafford County, Kansas. Very much a man of his
community, Werner contributed columns Kansas newspapers, spoke at the county seat, regulariy attended Populist lectures, and most fortunately for posterity, kept a journal reporting on the world around him. With this journal as a starting point, isaac Beckjey Werner, prairie bachelor, becomes an eloquent guide to the practical, social, and political realities of rural life in late

Kansas Connection: The author was raised in and now lives in rural Kansas. The
 Populist Movement
Written by Lynda Beck Fenwick
Published by University Press of Kansas nineteenth-century Kansas. story takes place in Stafford County, Ks.

An acula test machine was received so we can do PCR tests as well as free rapid antigen covid testing. We are hoping to do free flu A and B testing and free strep testing this winter with the machine!


Thank you to the Stafford County Health Department for working with the school to help this project run smoothly!

## NURSE NEWS



# Flu Shot Clinic Open November <br> because A flu season is Coming 

Contact Nurse Cornwell for more information about flu shots or having your blood drawn at Health Fair price.


# SPANISH CLASSES LEARNS ABOUT 'DIA DE LOS MUERTOS' 

by Mrs. Mixon

The Spanish classes learned a little culture history about the 'Dia de los muertos' celebration (Day of the Dead) which is usually confused with Halloween. Day of the Dead is actually a two day celebration where the hispanic culture honor the lives of their relatives and loves ones that have passed away. It is celebrated from November 1st to November 2nd. The students created 'papel picado' (pecked paper), which is made by cutting elaborate designs into tissue paper. They also designed some pictures for our 'ofrenda' (offering) simulation which is placed in people's homes as they celebrate Dia de los muertos.


## CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS



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## ST. JOHN STUDENTS VISIT COLLEGE

by Lisa Cornwell

September 29th kicked off college campus visits. While students are at St. John High School we try to get students on a junior college campus, Division I school campus, Division II school campus, and a private college. Juniors went to Fort Hays to tour the main campus. They had a taste of the cafeteria and then went to Northcentral Kansas Technical College. They have campuses in Hays and at Beloit. NCK Tech offers 23 degree programs ranging from pharmacy technician to business management. They are known for providing hands on education enabling students to graduate in 4-18 months into high wage high demand fields.

On October 6, the freshmen went to Hutchinson Community College. They were able to tour the main campus starting at Stringer Fine Arts Building. Following that, they jumped back on the bus and went to the Allied Health Center located on E Ninth Avenue. Next they went to Third Avenue to see the Cosmetology program. The trip concluded with a tour of the Fire Science Training Center. Their academy training allows students to complete courses in a short amount of time. Students can receive their Firefighter I and Firefighter II in only two weeks. Of course it takes more time to get a certification in Fire Science or an associate degree.

October 20 sophomores will be going to Wichita State University. They will have an admissions presentation, a campus and housing tour, and a student panel will visit with them about their campus experience. The school is sending sack lunches on this trip. The students will go to Botanica to eat their lunch and explore before returning to St. John.


## 7TH \& 8TH GRADERS GO JOB SHADOWING

by Lisa Cornwell

The 7th and 8th graders completed some job shadowing last month in October. Some of the places they visited where: Pratt Public Library, Shelter Insurance, BTI, Hi Plains Vet, Gatlin Medical Arts Pharmacy, Great Bend Chamber, Great Bend Police, Great Bend Fire, Scott's Welding, and more.


# STUDENT WINS 1ST PLACE AT KTMA STATE COMPETITION 

by Jennifer Fischer



Braxton Fischer, 6th grader at St. John USD 350, wins 1st place at the KTMA (Kansas Traditional Muzzleloading Association) muzzleloading shoot for the state. He also took 1st place at the Russell Randevu.

He competes against other youth shooters from all over. He shoots a 45 caliber Black Powder Rifle, 50 caliber Pistol and also throws Hawk and Knife (hatchet and knife). They sleep in canvas tents like they did back in the olden days and they wear primitive clothing. When they are at the randevu they have to do everything as they did back then. There are not supposed to be any modern day items in the camp. If you do have some you need to disguise it somehow.

Congratulations, Braxton for winning lst place at both events.

## CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

## TRASH FOR TRENDS

by Darlene Behnke

St. John took two dresses to Trash to Trends on Wednesday Oct 13th. The event was provided by Brad and Courtney Emery. There were 6 schools and over 30 entries. We had a great day and brought home two awards. Other schools brought strong competition and very talented artists.

The black and pink dress was made by Mariah Sanders and Marco Ibarra and worn by Mariah. They used all of the pieces of many plastic water bottles. The caps were laced together on the belt. The bottles were cut into spirals and became the skirt. The labels were taped together, spray painted and used on the top. The bottle bottoms became flower details. Mariah and Marco placed 3rd with this fun bouncy party dress.

The Goddess Athena inspired white toga with golden armor was made by Audi Weaver, Melea Hearn and Abigial Guillen then modeled by Melea. They made the armor with card board, gold paint and boot laces. The toga was made with a white table cloth. The belt was made by braiding plastic grocery bags and spray painting it gold. The Athena's shield was made with card board, paper mache', gold paint and styrofoam balls. Don't forget the bold dangly earrings. They placed 9th with this dramatic piece.


## JUNIOR CLASS FUNDRAISER

# Pie 4 Prom <br> JUNIOR CLASS FUNDRAISER 

by Mrs. Ixchel Mixon, Junior Class Sponsor

# Students get a chance to pie a teacher in the face! 



## OUR PIE CONTENDERS



- Mr. White
- Mrs. Mixon
- Mr. Bauer
- Mrs. Feril
- Mr. Bryant
- Mrs. Patterson
- Mrs. Marla Irvine
- Mrs. Alisa Fisher
- Mr. Meyer
- Mrs. Stephanie
- Mr. Danny Smith
- Mr. Delp
- Mr. Knight
- Mrs. McAlister
- Mrs. Treviño
- Mr. Moritz
- Coach Hilton
- Coach Taci
- Mr. Mixon
- Mr. Nusser
- Ms. Bunker
- Ms. Behnke

Voting Ends: Nov. 19, 2021
Every time you vote, YOUR name gets entered into a drawing for a chance to be the one who gets to PIE the Teacher that you voted for! That means if you vote 20 times, then your name gets entered 20 times for a chance to throw that pie.

Any Staff or Student can vote an UNLIMITED amount of times, but only a Student can win to throw the pie. The Teacher with the most votes gets a PIE in the face on November 22nd!

## The public can vote, too!

Visit the HS Front Office or Spanish room to cast your votes. Votes are updated automatically every $10-15$ minutes via our webpage. Open your smartphone camera to scan the QR code to find out which Pie Contender is in the lead!

## Donate Vote Vouchers to Classrooms

Don't know who to vote for? You can purchase some Vote Vouchers and donate them to a Teacher, Grade Level or the Front Office. They will distribute them to students to give them a chance to vote AND get chosen to throw the pie!


# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL 

by Blain White, HS Principal

Hello Fall!!! I thought about starting my monthly article with a joke about fall. Here are some of the jokes I considered using:

- Why did the scarecrow win the Nobel Prize? Because he was out-standing in his field!
- How do you fix a broken pumpkin? With a pumpkin patch!
- How do trees get on the internet? They log in!

Any my personal favorite:

- How does an elephant get out of a tree? It sits on a leaf and waits until fall!

After careful consideration I decided not to include use any of those as ice breakers. You can thank me later.

Last week we had good turnout for Parent/Teacher conferences. If you were not able to come to conferences for your student but would like to visit with the teachers, you can email those teachers or call the school and set up an appointment with them. We have sent out grade cards and other information for those students as well. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Our fall sports seasons have now concluded. The tennis team played hard all year and just missed qualifying for state at the regional meet in Scott City, the football team has continued to improve through the year, the volleyball team was just edged out of qualifying for state and the Cross Country team qualified as a team to run at the state meet. I'm proud of the success of these students but I'm more proud of how they have represented our school and community with honor and sportsmanship.

The conclusion of fall activities means the beginning of winter activities. If a student didn't participate in the fall but are planning on playing basketball or competing in wrestling they need to make sure they have a sports physical on file. Contact the high school office if you have questions.

Just to provide an update on a few projects. Our new greenhouse is completed and will be put into use soon. We will have several classes and grade levels th-
-at are able to use it for educational activities. Our Residential Carpentry class is making a lot of progress on the house remodel on Broadway. Mr. Moritz and his students are doing and outstanding job on it and we are excited to see the final product. This year Mrs. Patterson implemented at new Baking and Pastry class. I have been the benefactor of their products a little too much and they are offering Tiger Treats every Friday during LS as a fundraiser for different groups.

Blain White - HS Principal

## AV PRODUCTIONS WINS 1ST PLACE

by St. John Hudson USD 350 FB Page

Congratulations Mackenzie Hacker, Isaac Torres, Christian Trevino, Ryan Eulenstein and Victor Rosales and teacher Mac Knight for receiving 1st place in the Kansas Turnpike Authority PSA Contest!


SCAN HERE TO WATCH THE VIDEO

Use your smartphone camera to scan.

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

by Blain White, HS Principal

St. John-Hudson USD \#350 is in need of substitute teachers and substitute classroom aides and paraprofessionals. If you are interested in applying, please contact Alisa Fisher in the District office (620-549-3564) or Stephanie Smith in the High School Office (620-549-3277).

## SCCF AWARDS GRANTS TO ST JOHN TEACHERS

by SCCF Grant Recipients

South Central Community Foundation of Kansas recently awarded several Teachers and classrooms in need. SCCF will host a Grant Award Ceremony in Stafford County on November 1st. Congratulations to the St. John Hudson USD 350 Teachers and classrooms that received one of these grants.

Mr. Emery, 3rd Grade Teacher, will be using the (\$100) grant to purchase wipe boards as vertical nonpermanent surfaces that will be used to promote collaboration and problem solving in the math class.

Mrs. Knight, Music Teacher, will be using the (\$100) grant to buy more mallets, drum sticks and rhythm sticks for the music classroom.

Mrs. Dickson, HS Teacher, also received the $\$ 100$ classroom grant and will be using it to purchase supplies for her classroom.

Mrs. Mixon, Spanish Language Aide, will be using the (\$100) grant to purchase Spanish games that involve vocabulary and holding conversations to enhance the students' listening skills of the Spanish language.

Healthy Kids = Successful Learners, a nutrition project for PK-12 at USD 350, was awarded $\$ 2000.00$ by the South Central Community Foundation 2021 Health Grant. This project will encourage student's to "Eat Real Food", serve the correct portion size, decrease sugar in their diets, understand and pay attention to food labels, and know the difference between healthy and unhealthy fats. This will be done by teaching students in PK-6 4 hands on health lessons. There will be a total of 48 nutrition lessons will be given to elementary students at USD 350 this school year. Lessons will be taught by Lisa Cornwell, School Nurse. Healthy Kids-Successful Learners hope to give students the skills to eat healthy for a lifetime. Studies show people who eat healthy and maintain a normal BMI have less disease than people who eat processed foods and have a low or high BMI.

The Ida Long Goodman Memorial Library is pleased to announce they are the recipient of a grant in the amount of $\$ 1000$ for a ST ViewScan 4 ---

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microfilm reader to aid patrons and students in genealogy and local history research. Thanks to this grant, the new equipment will allow for ease of use when researching through the extensive library of microfilm newspapers dating from the late 1800s. It provides functions for browsing, cropping, printing and saving of 16 mm film, 35 mm film, Microfiche and Ap Cards. Patrons will have the option to print or digitally save their content. The new setup will be located in the Kansas Room of the library and should be ready for use by summer of 2022 .

## 5TH GRADE MAKES APPLE NACHOS

by Lisa Cornwell

As part of the SCCF grant initiative, the 5th St. John Hudson USD 350 5th Grade class have fun making apple nachos with many sweet ingredients.


# KINDER - 7TH GRADE ACHIEVE INTERNET SAFETY CERTIFICATION 

## RECOGNIGTIONS

by Mrs. Mixon

All of the Kinder through 7th graders completed a Google curriculum which helped them achieve Internet Safety Certification. The students learned to recognize between Real and Fake messages that can be found in the internet world. They also learned about password security and what types of information should and shouldn't be shared with the public, friends and family. Congratulations!


# RAVEN FEATHERS \& PILLOW SQUARES 

by Dianna Bunker

Sophomores completed a quilt project over the story The Feather Pillow by Horacio Quiroga. The Feather Pillow is a combination of Gothic Literature and Magical Realism. This spooky story lends itself well to the Halloween season. The sophomores read this story, decided what the atmosphere was and supported that with text examples, and then used square papers to illustrate their interpretation of the story. I am very impressed with the work the students created. Anyone who enjoys spooky stories should read this short story!

Be sure to check out the Feather Pillow squares right outside of Ms. Bunker's classroom. A photo opt wall with the raven feathers called "Imagery of $\mathrm{Me}^{\prime}$ which is based off The Raven by Edgar Allan Poe is located in the HS hallway that leads to the courtyard.

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