



USD 270 NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



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Kindergarten with Mrs. Friend

"A person's a person no matter how small" says Horton. Our schools have a Dr. Seuss theme this year and our classroom is full of kindergarten characters! Our class has 10 students; 4 girls and 6 boys. As with everything, things are different this year but we are very thankful to be learning face to face.

We are learning to be great people, friends and students with our Social Emotional Learning curriculum. We have already touched upon listening to learn, focusing our attention, following directions and feelings. We will soon be addressing problem solving and people skills.

Literacy and math are very important parts of our day. Recognizing letters, the sounds they make and blending them are all skills we will build upon to help us begin to read independently. If you get the chance to listen to a child read, please do it! They love to share what they have learned.

Reading, writing and learning what numbers represent provide the foundation for addition, subtraction and problem solving. We also learn about the calendar, time and money.

Science, social studies, spelling, and handwriting are part of our day. We have a very busy schedule that includes morning meetings, music, P.E., computers, library, art, show-and-tell, and everybody's favorite, RECESS! 🖥️

It is fun to watch the students learn and grow.

We are off to a great start and looking forward to a fun year of growing and learning!





Can you believe that we are rolling into November already? This year is already flying by! Our theme for this 2020-2021 school year is All Things Dr. Seuss.

In the elementary school, we have created a fun and engaging learning environment for the students to enjoy. In the 2nd grade room, our class has 11 students; 5 boys and 6 girls. The pace is fast and the students are working as hard as ever. We are continuing to build on the skills learned from 1st grade.

Our morning is packed full of Math and Reading. Currently, we are working on 3 digit numbers all the way to 1,000. This year we will learn all about place value, 2 & 3 digit addition and subtraction, money and time, measurement, collecting and representing data, and 2 & 3D shapes. Reading will cover everything from consonant blends to different genres of texts, vowel sounds to perfecting handwriting. We have also started monthly goal reading for the Book-It reading program. I know the students are thankful for Pizza Hut sponsoring this program and are excited to get a reward when they meet their reading goals each month.

We will be utilizing our social studies magazine publication titled Studies Weekly. This weekly magazine curriculum teaches the same information as a textbook, but in a colorful, illustrated format. We are also able to use online resources that show videos, audio files, photos and so much more. The students have really enjoyed it so far! We will also be using our Scholastic News magazines as well.

Now don't forget, we still have science, computers, art, music, P.E., library, spelling, and handwriting that keeps our days jam packed. But if you were to ask the students their favorite part of the day, they would probably say Brain Breaks, Lunch and Recess.

I know this year is unlike any other we have experienced. Our second graders are taking it in stride and not letting it stop them from having fun. We might not be able to do everything that we have in the past, but we are making the most of it and still having lots of fun. We have enjoyed having lunch and a show in our classroom, a private classroom Trick or Treat, and special birthday celebrations. The students sure do love it.

Parents and the community are a huge part of each child's educational success. So keep pushing, encouraging, and praising all students for their hard work all throughout the year. I have a very bright and exciting group and I am looking forward to a very successful and FUN year ahead! :)

MRS. STAMPER - FCCLA



October is here and gone! During the past month Plainville High School FCCLA has been busy! We started our year selecting Chapter Officers. FCCLA 2020-2021 Officers are Jenna Morain, President, Elizabeth Brown, Vice President, Ashlynn Stamper, Secretary, and Emily Stamper, Historian. These officers have planned out some great activities for the current school year and chose our Chapter Theme as "Let's Taco 'Bout FCCLA". Starting in October we had Rush Week Oct 19th-23rd, where we picked up 9 new members! Members earned prizes, played games, and learned the Mission of FCCLA...To prompt personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner, and community leader, members develop skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge and vocational preparation. In November, members will start to promote our school community service program by bringing non-perishable items to "Feed the Pantry". It is our goal as Plainville FCCLA to fill our local food pantry with many items to help support our community. Please be looking for future promotions of our service program. On November 24th members who participated in our service program, by promoting our service program and bringing items in, will be able to join in a TACO Lunch! This is just the beginning to a fantastic FCCLA year. We are still accepting new members daily! Please see any FCCLA officer or visit with Mrs. Stamper.



NOW IS THE TIME TO START

Investing in Your Children's Future

LET US HELP

Support Their Dreams

Kansas Investments Developing Scholars (K.I.D.S) is a matching grant program administered by the Kansas State Treasurer Office. Families from Kansas, meeting certain income requirements, are eligible to receive a matching contribution up to \$600.

- The K.I.D.S. program aids families living in Kansas with income less than 200% of the federal poverty level and enrolled in the Learning Quest® 529 Education Savings Program.
- You can open a Learning Quest account and set up recurring contributions via payroll deduction or from your bank account.
- Applications are due by December 31, 2020.
- Once approved, participants have until December 31, 2020, to make contributions up to \$600.

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GREETINGS

from the Kansas Treasurer

The K.I.D.S. program is a unique opportunity for Kansas families who want to begin saving for their child's education beyond high school but may need some assistance in making that goal a reality. Investing in a Learning Quest account is a great way to show your student that you believe in their future by taking steps today to be prepared tomorrow for the cost of their education at any traditional four year university or any community or technical college. K-12 tuition expenses are also eligible.

Start saving today and tell your student that you expect great things from them.

If eligible, take advantage of this additional money.

Account owners must be Kansas residents and total Federal Adjusted Gross Income for all members of the account owner's household must be less than the amount listed below.

of Persons in Family or Household

1 = \$25,520	5 = \$61,360	+8
2 = \$34,480	6 = \$70,320	For each additional
3 = \$43,440	7 = \$79,280	person add \$8,960.
4 = \$52,400	8 = \$88,240	



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Trump Administration Invests \$791,638 in Distance Learning Within the KAIDE Network in Kansas

*An Education Investment That Will Benefit
60 Educational Entities in a 36 County Area of Kansas*

On October 14, 2020 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development State Director for Kansas Lynne Hinrichsen announced that USDA is investing \$791,638 to provide interactive video conferencing equipment and instructional programming licenses to aid in the distance program to allow access to students throughout Kansas.

"Distance learning provides more educational resources to difficult to reach populations," Hinrichsen said. "This project enhances the focus on rural education. Under the leadership of President Trump and Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, USDA has been working tirelessly to be a strong partner to rural America in building stronger and healthier communities, because we know when rural America prospers, all of America prospers."

This Rural Development investment will help the Kansas Association for Interactive Distance Education (KAIDE) members purchase monitors, video and audio-conferencing equipment, wiring, software licenses for distance learning upgrades, and instructional programming licenses to aid in the distance program.

The project will expand educational opportunities for rural residents within the five KAIDE member areas encompassing 36 counties in Kansas: Interactive Consortium Academic Network (I-CAN), Southwest Kansas Interactive Consortium Academic Network (SKI-CAN), South Central Kansas Distance Learning Network (SCKDLN), ESSDACK Education Service Center, and Smoky Hill Education Service Center.

The Smoky Hill Education Service Center schools participating in the grant are: USD 307 Ell-Saline, USD 325 Phillipsburg, USD 334 Southern Cloud, USD 347 Kinsley-Offlerle, and USD 426 Pike Valley. Students at Victory House in Brewster, Kansas, and remote learners with USD 473 Chapman will also benefit from the grant through the Smoky Hill Learning Center program. All SHESC member districts and schools will also benefit indirectly through interactions with education consultants, who will use some of the new equipment purchased with grant funds.

The I-CAN network schools participating in this grant are USD 110 Thunder Ridge, USD 269 Palco, USD 270 Plainville, USD 271 Stockton, USD 292 Wheatland, USD 392 Osborne, and USD 399 Paradise, and will be receiving over \$25,000 in federal grant funding.

Cindy Beisner, I-CAN Director, said, "Having adequate technology and up-to-date equipment is essential now and no longer a luxury during this time of COVID-19 concerns. These grant dollars will be a tremendous help to our program and the students we serve."

This announcement is in conjunction with a larger announcement made by USDA, where it is investing \$72 million in 40 states through the [Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program](#). These investments will benefit more than 12 million rural residents.

USDA Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities and create jobs in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas.

For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov/ks or call 785-271-2700.



November 2020 Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2. Cereal Choices Pears Juice Milk	3. French Toast Bites Cereal Juice Apple Milk	4. Banana Bread Slice Cheese Stick Cereal Juice Oranges Milk	5. Cereal Choices Graham Cracker Peaches Juice Milk	6. Yogurt-Fruit Parfait Cinnamon Bread Stick Cereal Banana Juice Milk
9. Granola Bar String Cheese Juice Mango Slices Milk	10. Pancake/Sausage On a Stick Cereal Cinn. Applesauce Juice Milk	11. Breakfast Pizza Cereal Pineapple Juice Milk	12. Cereal Choices Graham Cracker Pears Juice Milk	13. Ham Breakfast Bars Cereal Mandarin Oranges Juice Milk
16. Chocolate Croissants Cereal Juice Peaches Milk	17. Breakfast Bites Cereal Pears Juice Milk	18. Cereal Choices Tropical Fruit Juice Milk	19. Banana Bread Slice Cereal Mandarin Oranges Juice Milk	20. Waffle Sticks Sausage Links Cereal Pineapple Milk
23. Cooks Choice	24. Cooks Choice	25. No School Thanksgiving Break	26. 	27. No School Thanksgiving Break <small>The Kitchen Staff Wishes you a Happy Thanksgiving!</small>
30. Cereal Choices Cheese Stick Strawberry Applesauce Juice Milk				

**All Menu Items are subject to change. Meals served w/1% White Milk or Skim Chocolate Milk
Extra Milk .40 **(NO EXTRA MILK DURING FREE PROGRAM)
ALL STUDENTS will be served 1 cup fruit or 1/2c juice AND 1/2c fruit
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November 2020 Lunch



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2. Crispito Romaine/Tomato Cinnamon Bun Corn Apple Milk	3. Stromboli Squares Mac & Cheese Fresh Carrots Peaches Milk	4. Shredded Beef w/Bun Tater Tots Baked Beans Tropical Fruit Oatmeal Cookie Milk	5. Turkey n Cheese Flatbread Wrap Shredded Romaine Peppers, Tomato Sun Chips Peas Pineapple Milk	6. Country Style Beef Pattie Mashed Potatoes N Gravy Steamed Broccoli WW Roll Grapes Milk
9. Vegetable Soup Toasted Cheese Sand. Fresh Carrots Peaches Milk	10. Corn Dog French Fries Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk	11. Chicken and Noodles Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Rosy Applesauce Milk	12. Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla Lettuce/Tomato Mexi-Corn Apples Milk	13. Cowboy Cavatini Broccoli Oatmeal Roll Tropical Fruit Milk
16. Chicken Tetrizzini Fresh Carrots/Ranch Garlic Bread Strawberries Milk	17. BBQ Pork Rib on Bun Seasoned Fries Broccoli Kiwi Milk	18. Cheese Pizza Salad Mandarin Oranges Milk	19. Turkey Dressing M. Potatoes/Gravy Corn/Sweet Potatoes WW Roll Pumpkin Dessert Rosy Applesauce Milk	20. Sloppy Joes Sweet Potato Puffs Baked Beans Peaches Cookie Milk
23. Pig in a Blanket Tater Tots Broccoli w/Cheese Mandarin Oranges Milk	24. Chicken Wrap Romaine/Tomato Sun Chips Fresh Baby Carrots Rosy Applesauce Milk	25. No School Thanksgiving Break	26.  	27. No School Thanksgiving Break
30. Hamburger Romaine/Tomato French Fries Cookie Peach-Pear Mix Milk				

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 ALL students will have choices of fruit (K-12)
 ALL BREADS made in the USD 270 Kitchen are Whole Grain
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NOVEMBER - Activities



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Daylight Savings Time Ends	Mid-Terms sent	JH BB vs Russell @ Home 4:00 pm		JH BB @ Ellis 5:00 pm	FB Regionals	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 pm	JH BB @ Phillipsburg 5:00 pm	Veterans Day	JH BB vs Hoxie @ Home 4:00 pm	FB Sectionals	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		JH BB @ Hill City 4:00 pm	School Picture Retakes	JH BB vs Stockton @ Home 5:00 pm	Sub-State FB	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	JH BB @ Smith Center 4:00 pm School Play 7:00pm	School Play 7:00pm	No School Thanksgiving Break	HAPPY THANKSGIVING! 	No School Thanksgiving Break	State FB @ FHSU
29	30					
	PK-6 Vocal/Band Concert 7:00 pm Scholars Bowl @ Stockton 4:00 pm					