

## Upcoming Events

### Monday, Oct. 12-

Gold Clubs Meet  
6 pm- JV Football vs. Labette  
4:30 pm- Soccer at Pittsburg

### Tuesday, Oct. 13-

5 pm- Volleyball at Home

### Wednesday, Oct. 14-

Remote day

### Thursday, Oct. 15-

4 pm- SEK Cross Country at Chanutte  
5 pm- JV/V Volleyball at Home

### Friday, Oct. 16-

End of 1st 9 weeks  
7 pm- Football vs. Chanute- student section theme is "Pink Out"

## Hoy, Camp are crowned Homecoming Royalty



Seniors Ethan Camp and Anna Hoy were crowned Homecoming King and Queen on Oct. 2.



Fall Homecoming candidates were: Mackenzie Froelich, Anna Hoy, Makenna Walker, Makayla Ross and Adyson Peck. Back row: Ethan Camp, Darell Jones, Tariq Logan, Aaron Rutherford, and Jacobi Sharpe.

**Estiven Orozco**  
staff writer

This year at Field Kindley High School Parent/Teacher Conferences will be different from the past few years due to COVID-19. Conferences will be held on October 20-21.

According to school counselor Delia Northup, she said Parent/Teacher conferences will be in a virtual setting or held over the phone on both days.

"The purpose of Parent/Teacher conferences is so parents and students know where they stand in class and how to improve their grades," Northup said.

On Tuesday, Oct. 20 conferences will be held 8 am to 7:30 pm and Wednesday, Oct. 21 it will be held from 8 am to 7 pm. All FKHS students will participate in remote learning on October 20-21.

More information will be provided later this week on conferences and how parents can sign up for conference times.

## FKHS News Briefs

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The 2021 FKHS Yearbooks are now available to purchase. The all color, hard cover yearbook is \$40 for a plain one, and \$45 for a book with your name printed on the cover.

There are three ways to purchase a book this year. If using a credit card to purchase just go to balfour.com and select our school. You can also call 1-800-944-5930 and use your credit card.

Lastly next week an order form will be handed out during advisory to purchase the book using cash, check or money order and turn in to Mrs. Conrad in room 119. Checks and Money orders should be made out to FKHS.

The Yearbook staff is busy creating a yearbook that covers the events of the year and they are excited to start selling their yearbook. The last day to purchase is April 1, 2021.

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**Hailey Holmes**  
photo editor

Over Summer Break the administration decided to make a couple of improvements to Field Kindley High School. The bleachers were breaking and falling apart so they got a nice update. It took a lot of hard work and determination but now we get to rock new bleachers that have our school colors!

The metal railing around the gym balcony has been replaced with clear thick plexiglass. Also there are two gates on the west and east sides that will allow spectators to move to the floor bleachers from the balcony.

Construction on the railing is almost complete.

The weight room also received an update. New mirrors, lots of new equipment, and an area with wrestling mats for the wrestling team to practice on completes the remodel.

## New Teachers join Staff at FKHS

**Melinda (Mindy) VanBuren**

**Job Title:**

Registrar/Attendance Secretary

**Family- single/married & kids:**

Married to Jeff VanBuren and we have 3 Children, (Colt 32, Dakota 28 and Chaneya 28) and 5 Grandchildren, ranging in age from 9 Months to 7 years old.

**What are your hobbies/interests:**

I love Softball, Volleyball and Sand Volleyball. If I'm not playing volleyball I am walking every evening with my twin sister. I also shoot Billiards - Pool. I have won 2nd place in a couple state tournaments in OK and won 2nd in a KC tournament. I Swim in my pool almost every day during the summer.

**What are your job responsibilities at FKHS:**

Attendance records and maintaining transcripts for all students. All duties assigned by Mrs. Northup :)

**What do you like most about FKHS so far:**  
The students and staff. Never a dull moment. Love it here!!



**Shauntel Highley**

**College attended/degree earned:**

Pittsburg State University; BSED in English Education

**# Years teaching:**

starting 22nd year  
**Previous teaching experience-where & how long:**  
Vinita High School, 1 year; Purdy Middle and High School, 2 years; Wyandotte Middle and High School, 5 years; Afton High School, 7 years; and Vinita Middle School, 6 years

**Family- single/married & kids:**  
Married; husband, Jeff (firefighter in Vinita); one daughter, Dacee (senior at Bluejacket)

**Why did you choose to become a teacher:**  
I felt led there by God.  
**Second career choice instead of teaching:**  
writer or editor

**What is your goal as a teacher:**  
My goal as a teacher is to impart knowledge to my students while also mentoring my students to become thoughtful, well-adjusted, thinking adults.

**Most embarrassing teacher moment:**  
My most embarrassing moment would have to be when I tripped over several boxes in front of a class of students. (Gravity hates me!)



**What do you look forward to this school year:**

I look forward to being here at FKHS and working with my students.

**What do you like most about FKHS so far:**

What I like most about FKHS is the camaraderie of the students, faculty, staff, and teachers.

**Tiffany Hare**

**College attended/degree earned:**

I earned my Bachelor's at Pittsburg State University in Elementary Education and I'm currently working towards my Master's

**# Years teaching:**

This is my 14th year teaching, but my first at the high school level.

**Previous teaching experience-where & how long:**

I taught second grade, fourth grade, and subbed in Independence for a total of 13 years.

**Family- single/married & kids:**

I have two grown children, both boys. Timothy is 25 and lives in Independence, and Ryan is 22 and lives in Joplin, Mo. I am recently divorced, after a 28 year marriage.

**Why did you choose to become a teacher:**

I started teaching, like most teachers, because I loved working with kids. I decided to move to older kids because I saw a need there. Adjusting to becoming an adult can be hard, and I want to help kids through that transition.

**Second career choice instead of teaching:**

I would have wanted to be a librarian because I absolutely love reading to kids and seeing their faces as they get into a story or hear them laugh. A close tie would be an interior designer. I have helped to flip/build around 12 houses over the years. My husband would do the construction and I would pick out all the colors and fixtures, etc. I also painted them all. That part was NOT my favorite.

**What is your goal as a teacher:**

My goal as a teacher is to be exactly what a student needs. That could be helping reading to finally click or just being there as someone who cares. Every student is different and has different needs. I hope I can help every student in some way.

**Most embarrassing teacher moment:** Oh



gosh, this was years and years ago...my fourth grade students were driving me nuts, and I had taken away their recess. After more reflection though, I realized they really needed to get out and run. So, being the goofball teacher I am, I told them they could have their recess back after they stood up and spun in circles saying "I love you Ms. Hare." They laughed and giggled and did it. I even got a few hugs, and the day was better after recess. I thought all was fine, until I got called into the principal's office because a parent complained saying I was using witchcraft. I couldn't believe it. That was over 20 years ago and I still remember how that felt. So embarrassing!!! Disclaimer...it was not witchcraft!!

**What do you look forward to this school year:**

I look forward to building relationships with my students. That's what teaching is all about. Kiddos will learn much more from a teacher they like and respect than one they do not.

**What do you like most about FKHS so far:**

I love the atmosphere at Field Kindley. The teachers, administrators, and students are light hearted and all seem to get along. It just feels happy.

**Editor's Note:** There will be more teacher interviews in the next issue.

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