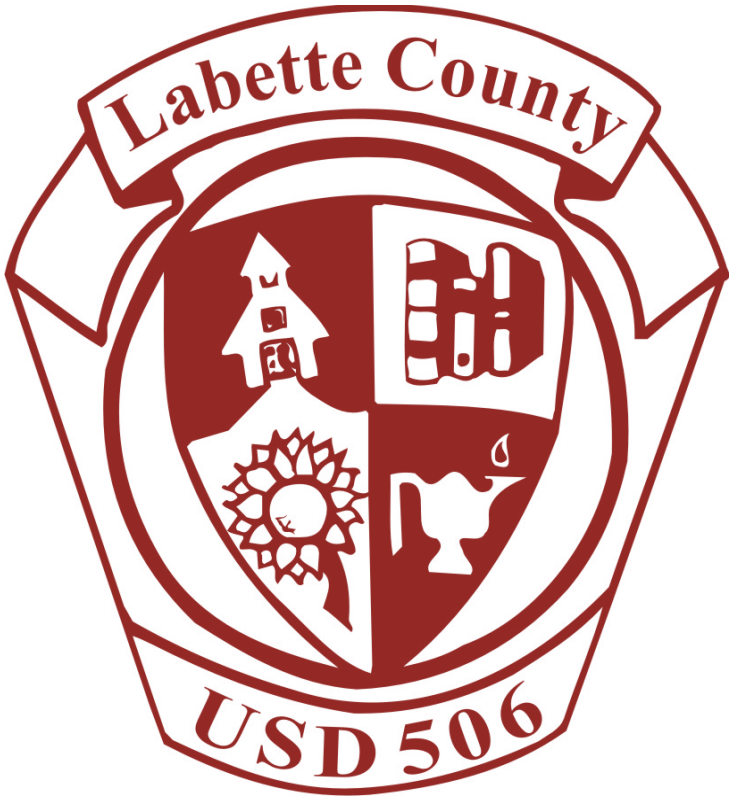
Labette County U.S.D. 506



February 9, 2026 Board Meeting

AGENDA

Monday, February 9, 2026, 6:30 PM

Curran Administrative Center, Altamont, KS 67330

Our mission: *Educating every student every day!* ***Our vision:*** *Meeting the needs of every child!*

At USD 506 – Parents are our partners!

Agenda – Regular Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Approval of Printed Agenda**
   At this time, Board members may (1) accept the agenda as shown below, (2) add items, or (3) request that one or more "Consent Agenda Items" be placed under "Action, information, discussion, or executive session for separate consideration.

3. **Consent Agenda**
   3.1 Approval of January 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
   3.2 Approval of February 2026 bills, Investments, Activity Fund Report
   3.3 Approval of Substitute Employees:
   - See the enclosed list

   3.4 Approval of Personnel:
   - None at this time

   3.5 Approval of Resignations:
   - Randy Blackwell—Paraprofessional @ Labette County High School
   - Shane Garretson—Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach @ LCHS
   - Peter Omarkhail—Bus Driver @ USD 506
   - James Ryals—Vocal and Band Instructor @ USD 506

   3.6 Approval of Retiree(s):
   - Peter Omarkhail— Wood Tech/Graphic Instructor @ Labette County High School

4. **Recognition / Communications**

   - Christian Wacker—President; LCTA

5. **Recognition of Visitors and Public Comments**
   The board president will recognize visitors at this time who have requested to address the board by submitting their request in advance. Public comments will be kept to a maximum of 2 minutes unless stated by the board president. This is not an appropriate time or place for patrons to comment personally about any district employee or student. Persons making comments violating the district employees' privacy rights will be asked to terminate their remarks.

6. Reports

6.1 Superintendent
6.2 Administrative
6.3 KASB/Legislative
6.4 SEK Interlocal #637

7. Discussion Items

7.1 Literature Scholars Reading Initiative—Lewis Goins, Media Specialist (I/D)
7.2 USD 506 Facility and Feasibility Study (I/D)
7.3 Review and Discussion of Board Communication Procedures and Professional Norms (I/D)

8. Action Items

8.1 Approval of KASB Policy Updates, Revisions—Second Reading (A)
8.2 Committee Assignments (A)

9. Board Member Comments

10. Adjournment

10.1 Next Regular Meeting: March 9, 2026, at Curran Administrative Center, Altamont, Kansas 67330

A= Action Item *D= Discussion Item* *I= Information Item*

Supplemental Agenda
Board of Education
Monday, February 9, 2026
Curran Administrative Center

Agenda – Regular Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order:

The board president will call the meeting to order for business.

2. Approval of Printed Agenda

At this time, Board members may (1) accept the agenda as shown below, (2) add items, or (3) request that one or more "Consent Agenda Items" be placed under "Action, information, discussion, or executive session for separate consideration.

3. Adoption of the Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda is a method whereby the board, with one motion, may approve (by consent) items on the agenda, which are routine, informational, or the receipt of reports, which may not need discussion. This procedure assumes each board member has read and studied the agenda before the meeting. Furthermore, at this time the Board may request that one or more consent agenda items be placed under action, information, or discussion for separate consideration. *The motion should read- I move the board approve by consent, items in the agenda, which are identified as 3.1-3.6*

3.1 Approval of January 2026 Board Meeting Minutes (pgs. 8-12)
3.2 Approval of February 2026 bills, Investments, Activity Fund Report, and Petty m Cash (pgs. 66-73)
3.3 Approval of Substitute Employees: (p. 15)
3.4 Approval of Personnel: (p. 14)
- None at this time

3.5 Approval of Resignations: (p. 13)
- Randy Blackwell—Paraprofessional @ Labette County High School
- Shane Garretson—Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach @ LCHS
- Peter Omarkhail—Bus Driver @ USD 506
- James Ryals—Vocal and Band Instructor @ USD 506

3.6 Approval of Retirement(s): (p. 13)
- Peter Omarkhail— Wood Tech/Graphic Instructor @ Labette County High School

4. Recognition / Communications:

- Christian Wacker—President; LCTA

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6. Reports:

6.1 Superintendent- Dr. Wyrick will share his report with the board at the scheduled meeting.
6.2 Building Administrators- See enclosed reports on pages 16-62.
6.3 KASB- Mr. Kevin Cole will share his report with the board at the scheduled meeting.
6.4 SEK Interlocal #637- Mr. Kevin Cole will share his report with the board at the scheduled meeting.

7. Discussion Items-

7.1 Literature Scholars Reading Initiative—Lewis Goins, Media Specialist:

Mr. Goins, Library Media Specialist, will be present at the February Board of Education meeting to share information about a new reading initiative recently launched at the high school. The Grizzly Library has introduced a program titled Literature Scholars, designed to encourage and strengthen student reading habits through meaningful engagement with high-quality literature.

The purpose of Literature Scholars is to challenge students to read more consistently while also promoting the selection of books with significant literary, cultural, and educational value. The program uses incentives and recognition to motivate participation and foster a greater appreciation for reading beyond required coursework. Mr. Goins will provide an overview of the initiative, its goals, and the anticipated impact on student literacy and academic growth. (I/D)

7.2 USD 506 Facility and Feasibility Study:

District leadership is requesting that the Board of Education consider authorizing the district to solicit bids and interview qualified firms to conduct a comprehensive facility and feasibility study of all USD 506-owned buildings and grounds.

Labette County Public Schools has an ongoing obligation to provide the Board, staff, students, and community with informed recommendations and a long-term facilities plan that is both fiscally responsible and educationally sound. A thorough review of district facilities will help identify current conditions, prioritize long-standing needs, and ensure that future planning aligns with district goals and community expectations.

The district last completed a similar process during the 2014–2015 school year. Given the age of many facilities and evolving educational and operational demands, the administration believes it is once again appropriate to begin a structured planning process focused on long-term sustainability and improvement. This study would serve as an important first step in developing a powerful, forward-looking facilities plan that positions USD 506 for continued success. (I/D)

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7.3 Review and Discussion of Board Communication Procedures and Professional Norms:

The Board of Education will review and discuss the district's communication flowchart and expectations related to board member communication and professional conduct. This item is intended to provide clarity on appropriate channels for addressing concerns, interacting with staff and community members, and maintaining consistent governance practices.

The discussion will support effective communication, strengthen board unity, and ensure alignment with the district's established protocols and responsibilities under board policy and KOMA. (I/D)

8. Action Items-

8.1 Approval of KASB Policy Updates, Revisions—Second Reading:

Recommended policy adoptions, revisions, and updates for the board to consider were provided to each member via email. A copy is available on the KASB website and included in the packet.

The board policy committee, administration, assistant superintendent, and superintendent have reviewed the policies put forth by KASB legal, and these are their recommendations for the board to consider for final approval at the February board meeting. Time will be afforded during the board meeting for the whole board discussion. Dr. Wyrick and Mr. Holtzman will ask the board to approve the policy revisions at the February board meeting as presented. (A)

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8.2 Committee Assignments:

The administration would like to review committee assignments, as three new board members took office in January.

9. Board Member Comments-

Individual board members are encouraged to share stories of success and opportunities for growth at this time.

10. Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Next Regular Meeting: *March 9, 2026,* at Curran Administrative Center, Altamont, Kansas 67330.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
LABETTE COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 506
Altamont, KS 67330

Curran Administrative Office January 12, 2026 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:
Kevin Cole
Jessie Foister
Kris Graves
Brian Harlow
Jyssica Lahey
Jessica Rush
Dr. Kolette Smith

Absent Board Members:
None

Others Present:
John Wyrick, Supt.
Shane Holtzman, Asst. Supt.
Cindy Dean, Board Clerk
Hannah Emberton, Parsons Sun Editor
Brad Reams, Director of Great Plains
Christian Wacker, LCHS Teacher

Unofficial

1. Jessie Foister called the meeting to order. Dr. Kolette Smith opened with prayer.

2. Election of Officers

   Kevin Cole made a motion to nominate Brian Harlow for the position of Board President for the Calendar Year. Dr. Kolette Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Brian Harlow was elected President of the Board for the calendar year.

   Dr. Kolette Smith made a motion to nominate Jessie Foister for the position of Vice President. Motion did not receive a second motion to be approved.
   Kevin Cole made a motion to nominate Jessica Rush for the position of Vice President. Jyssica Lahey seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
   Jessica Rush was elected Vice President of the Board for the calendar year.

3. Dr. Kolette Smith made a motion to approve the printed agenda with the following addition:

   4.4 add Omar Trujillo – Longterm Music Teacher Substitute
   Kevin Cole seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Consent Agenda
   Kevin Cole made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the following addition:

   4.4 add Omar Trujillo – Longterm Music Teacher Substitute

   Jessica Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

5. Recognitions/Communications

   Brad Reams, Director of Great Plains Industrial Park, updated the board with ongoing projects and new projects at the Industrial Park. The board thanked Mr. Reams for updates.

Unofficial

6. Recognition of Visitors and Public Comments

   None at this time.

7. Reports
   7.1 Superintendent Report
   Dr. Wyrick stated today is the first official day of the Kansas Legislative Session. Dr. Wyrick reminded board members to check their emails this week of info he sent regarding Legislative topics and other Legislative happenings. Dr. Wyrick stated Senate Bill #302 – State Wide Cell Phone Ban in Kansas Schools and House Bill #2421- tracking students screen time are just a few current hot topics.

   7.2 Administrative Report

   No report at this time

   7.3 KASB/Legislative
   Kevin Cole stated a lot of new bills and school finance information will be coming out and reminded board members to be alert on these.

7.4 SEK/Interlocal #637

Kevin Cole stated he will visit with Greg Kubler to schedule a time for Mr. Kubler to review the Special Education Department for the new board members.

8. Discussion Items

8.1 Mr. Holtzman reviewed the Student Attendance Rates and information in board packet provided by the building administrators.

8.2 Mr. Holtzman reviewed the KASB Policies with the Board for a first reading. The Board will take action at the February Board Meeting.

9. Action Items

9.1 Dr. Kolette Smith made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 School Calendar with the following change: November 9, 2026 Staff Development Day, Not November 2. Kevin Cole seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

9.2 Dr. Kolette Smith made a motion to approve the established meeting dates as presented and meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. Kris Graves seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Unofficial

10. Executive Session

Kevin Cole moved the Board go into executive session for 20 minutes, to discuss Attorney- Client relationship under KOMA, beginning at 6:50 p.m. and the open meeting will resume in the Board Meeting Room at 7:10 p.m. To include Dr. Wyrick and Greg Goheen in the Executive Session. Dr. Kolette Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

No action taken as a result of Executive Session

11. Board Member Comments

Jysicca Lahey – No Comments

Dr. Kolette Smith welcomed all new board members and stated she is excited for the new year ahead. Dr. Smith is happy students were involved in several food drives for the community over the holiday break. Dr. Smith thanked area donors and 506 staff for taking care of our 506 families and students in need at the Holiday Season.

Kevin Cole appreciated Brad Reams for attending tonight's meeting. Mr. Cole thanked each of the board members for the great team that have become. Mr. Cole thanked Jessie and Dr. Smith for the past years of dedication and leadership of the board.

Kris Graves thanked the board for welcoming him and assisting with all the questions he has.

Jessie Foister – No Comments

Brian Harlow thanked Jessie and Kolette for their past leadership. Mr. Harlow stated moving forward is a great time to be part of the 506 Board.

12. Adjournment

Dr. Kolette Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin Cole seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be February 9, 2026 at the Curran Administrative Office.

Unofficial

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
LABETTE COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 506
Altamont, KS 67330

Curran Administrative Office January 29, 2026 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:
Kris Graves
Brian Harlow
Jyssica Lahey
Jessica Rush

Absent Board Members:
Kevin Cole
Jessie Foister
Dr. Kolette Smith

Others Present:
John Wyrick, Supt.
Shane Holtzman, Asst. Supt.
John Staten, Greenbush
Christian Wacker, LCHS Teacher

Unofficial

1. Brian Harlow called the meeting to order.

2. Jessica Rush made a motion to approve the printed agenda. Kris Graves seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Work Session

   The group reviewed an interesting overview of the School Budget.

4. Adjourn
   Jyssica Lahey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jessia Rush seconded. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be February 9, 2026 at the Curran Administrative Office.

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"Where Excellence and Education Meet"

TO: Board of Education
FROM: John Wyrick, Superintendent
RE: Classified/Certified/Supplemental Employment Report
Date: February 9, 2026

Retiree(s)

Peter Omarkhail— Wood Tech/Graphic Instructor @ Labette County High School

Resignations

Randy Blackwell—Paraprofessional @ Labette County High School

Shane Garretson—Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach @ LCHS

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TO: Board of Education
FROM: John Wyrick, Superintendent
RE: Supplemental Coaching/Activity, Certified and Classified Work Agreement
Date: February 9, 2026

Supplemental Work Agreement:

None at this time

Certified Work Agreement:

None at this time

Classified Work Agreement:

None at this time

Transfers:

None at this time

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"Where Excellence and Education Meet"

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Shane Holtzman, Assistant Superintendent
RE: Substitute Employee Report
Date: February 9, 2026

Substitute Employees:

1. None at this time

Altamont Eagle News

Phone Number: 620-784-5511 February 2026

Important Dates in February

2 - Spirit Week kicks off
BBall games vs. Oswego @ home
4:00, 8th Grade Parent Night
5 - Bball games at Mound Valley - 4:00
7- First day of the MLB Tournament in Oswego
9- **No School** - staff PD day
Day 2 of the MLB Tournament in Oswego
Board Meeting - 6:00 pm
10 - Kindness Week kicks off
Skate Unit begins
Quiz Bowl Begins
Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ BOE
11 LCHS Band and Choir Grade School Tour
13 - Valentine's Parties @ 2:30 pm
16 - Book Fair Opens for the week
17 - P/T Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 pm
19 - P/T Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 pm
20 - Human Growth and Development Classes for Grades 5-8.
23 - AGS Skate Night in Coffeyville
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Sports Night
Wear your favorite sports team apparel.
Quiz Bowl - 'B' Team - 4:00 in Chetopa
26 - Quiz Bowl - 'A' Team at AGS – 4:00

Parents as Teachers

Parents as Teachers
Labette County USD 506
Being a parent is hard work. USD 506 offers a FREE Child development/parenting program to families who are expecting or raising a young child under the age of three. Parents who enroll in the voluntary program "Parents as Teachers" can expect personal visits every 3-4 weeks from a certified Parent Educator and opportunities to meet other parents of young children at group connections.
For more information or to enroll in "Parents as Teachers" please contact Paula.Kastler@greenbush.org or call at 620-724-6281



Kindness Week:

Week Feb. 9th - 13th

Students will be collecting non-perishable food for the local food bank. Students can bring their boxed or canned food all week.





Be sure and like us on Facebook: Altamont Grade School and follow us on Twitter: @AltamontEagles

Do you know someone who might be ready for preschool or kindergarten next school year? Please have them contact the school to sign up for Roundup on Friday, April 17.. We are scheduling appointments now. *Students who are currently in our AGS PK and are headed to kindergarten do not need to come to roundup.*

DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM at SKATE NIGHT in Coffeyville

During the skate unit, Feb. 09 - 20 please make sure your child wears socks to school on their PE days.
The Coffeyville Skating Rink will be open on Mon. Feb. 23 from 6:00 -8:00 pm for an AGS Skate Night. The fee to rent skates is $5.00. PTO has agreed to pay $1.00 towards each person's entry fee. Also, students are encouraged to dress in their favorite sports team apparel while skating.

Spirit Week:

In conjunction with the Mineral Belt League Basketball Tournament, we will be having a Spirit Week for the kids. We hope your child will choose to participate. As always, please make sure that what your child wears to school is school appropriate.

Monday, Feb. 3 - Theme: Wear your Eagle gear

Tuesday, Feb. 4 - Theme: Twin Day - dress like a friend or classmate or staff member

Wednesday, Feb. 5 - Theme: Dress like your 100! It's the 100th Day of School.

Thursday, Feb. 6 - Theme: Throwback Thursday

Friday, Feb. 7 - Pajama Day

READ-A-THON Kicks Off on Monday, Feb. 23 and runs through Mar. 6

This year we will be offering Venmo payment for families who wish to use that option when making their donations to our Read-a-thon. Be watching for more information.

**** Be sure and visit the Book Fair the week before to get some good books to read during the Read-a-thon.**

Altamont Grade School
February 2026 Board Report

A Note from Mrs. Flatt: This week is School Counselor Appreciation Week: So some of our classes are writing little notes of thank you to Ms. Agosto and Ms. Shephard. These ladies have been an intrical part of problem solving and implementing some of our behavior plans in the building, along with supporting teachers when these behaviors are occurring. The counselors do so many behind the scenes things for students, staff and our AGS families. I definitely know when they are in the building, bc so many more things can get done with another wonderful person to help!

Next week we will be celebrating Kindness Week at AGS: Students are being asked to bring in non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. This is just one small way we can show kindness to our community.

Testing Dates for the KAP: All teachers who will be giving the assessment will be attending ethics and security training in the next month.

Math Grades 3 - 8	ELA Grades 3-8	Science Grades 5,8	HGSS Grades 4,7
2 sessions @ approx. 45 min. -60 each	2 sessions @ approx. 45-60 each	2 sessions @ approx. 45-60 each	Classroom based assessment - ongoing
Window opens 3.23.26 - 4.24.26	Window opens 3.23.26 - 4.24.26	Window opens 3.23.26 - 4.24.26	Window open all year

Winter Sports: We are finishing up basketball this week with the Mineral Belt League Tournament being held over the weekend. The Lady Eagles are looking good, they have currently an 8-1 record with Oswego and Mound Valley left to play. The boys have struggled this year and are sitting at a 3-7 record with Oswego and Mound Valley left to play. All the kids have improved and that is the most important thing.

Along with the MBL Tournament we have Spririt Week. The cheerleaders have planned a fun week for the school.

Monday - Eagle Day - along with an all school assembly..

Tuesday - Twin Day for the K-5 kids and JH is Country vs. Country Club

Wednesday - 100th Day of School - Dress like you're a 100 for K-5 and JH is Rhymne without Reason.

Thursday - Throwback - Dress from another decade

Friday - Pajama Day

Quiz Bowl will start on Feb. 10. This will be a quick season with just about a month of competitions. We do not have our numbers yet for those who will be participating but we are always hopeful to have two teams.

What's happening in our classrooms?

K - I can count by tens and ones to 100.

1 - I can count tens and ones, I can make words with e at the end.

2 - I can write numbers in standard form. I can identify and spell base words with the ending -ed, -ing.

3- Use area to compare rectangles with the same perimeter. Find the area and perimeter of a given rectangle. Define the work the engineers do to develop technology.

4- I can tell the problems adn solutions in a story. I can divide numbers using different strategies.

5 - I can draw conclusions and make generalizations based on information in the text. I can produce clear writing with appropriate development and organization.

6th Grade Math - I can rewrite a group of fractions, decimals and percents using the same representations

7th Grade ELA: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

8th Grade Social Studies: Analyze the impact citizenship has in the US and your life. Your choices have consequences.

January Attendance was rough. We were hit badly for a couple weeks with the flu and all the other things that were going around.

PreK - 93.0% 3rd - 95.3% 7th - 91.4%

K - 92.6% 4th - 92.9% 8th - 93%

1st - 92.9% 5th - 95.4% **Overall** - 93.3%

2nd - 93.1% 6th - 93.2%



All of the former AGS kids that are currently on the LCHS basketball team!

It was fun to have them welcome us into a chilly, Friday morning!

Bartlett Grade School Board Report February 2026

Enhanced Student Opportunities

- The Junior High WILD kids met with Mr. Harrison and Mrs. Harding to discuss plans to bring our flowerbeds back to life this spring. The kids are also brainstorming ideas for our Spring Family Night.
- Mrs. Wilson took her class back in time with covered wagons and a day filled with Kansas Day activities. The kids also presented their Kansas Day boxes, which provided a good public speaking opportunity.

Employee Retention and Development

- Professional Development is planned for February 9th, at LCHS, when the kids are out of school. The teachers will attend LETRS training or Inspired Leadership.
- The BGS Staff focused on the building culture, climate, and how our personal energy impacts kids during our January PLC.

Community Engagement

- Our second annual return of the School Carnival was a huge hit. We had over 100 items or gift cards donated to raffle off. Each class also had a game with volunteers, and there was plenty of food to go along with the fun. It was great to see the building bustling with adults and kids alike.

Infrastructure and Facilities

- I applied for a Parsons Area Community Foundation Grant. This grant would cover the materials needed to build a sidewalk through our outdoor area and connect it to our soon-to-be outdoor classroom.



Bartlett Braves

February 2026

EXCELLENCE TAKES DESIRE

Pre-School / Kindergarten Next Year

- If you or someone you know has a child that may be interested in BGS Pre-School or Kindergarten next year please have them give our office a call. We would like to start making a list so we can prepare for the roundup and screenings.

A Note from the Principal

As we move closer to spring you can begin to feel the energy rise within the building. With this energy also comes added distractions. Please remind your children that academics are a priority no matter the season. We pride ourselves on teaching the whole child but academics will remain a priority. Please utilize PowerSchool to check on how your child is doing. This helps hold everyone accountable.

Social Media

Please use this platform to help you stay informed. However, this is not the place to contact us. Please get in touch with us by calling or emailing the school.

School Phone - 620-226-3414
Marie Todd - mtodd@usd506.org
Spence - spallison@usd506.org

Facebook - Bartlett Elementary School

Support Your Child's Learning

Please help us hold your child accountable. Review their work and remind them that you care about what they are doing academically. This might encourage them to produce better work, but it can also help their organization skills if they know they need to bring papers home.

Blue & Gold Sausage Co.

Blue and Gold sales have begun. Please have everything turned in by Wednesday, Feb. 4th. We hope to have orders ready for pick up on one night of Parent Teacher Conferences.

506 BARTLETT GRADE SCHOOL

USD 506 Core Values:
Integrity+Relationships+Growth

USD 506 Vision:
Future-Focused+Engaged+Supportive











BARTLETT GRADE SCHOOL

February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 JHBB vs. Chetopa @ Home 4pm	3	4	5 JHBB vs. Meadow View @ Home 4pm	6	7 MBL BB Tournament @ Oswego
8	9 **NO SCHOOL** MBL BB Tournament @ Oswego	10 Quiz Bowl Begins BGS PTO Meeting 6pm	11 LC Band Choir Tour	12	13 **Valentines Day Parties @ 2:30pm** ❤️	14 Valentines Day
15	16 Presidents' Day	17 **P/T Conferences**	18	19 **P/T Conferences**	20	21
22	23 Quiz Bowl (B Team) @ Chetopa 4pm	**24**	25	26 Quiz Bowl (A Team) @ Altamont 4pm	27 **Bravo Braves**	28
						EXCELLENCE TAKES DESIRE

Board Meeting Report for Edna
February 9, 2026

- **Educational Leadership**
    1. Attended IEP Meetings
    2. Discussed 2 new "Habits of the Mind" with students. Goal 2.2.1 Rigor-Increase student academic success
    3. Attended a district wide school safety meeting. This is our coalition team that addresses student/family concerns throughout our buildings/communities. Goal 4.1.3 Family and School Partnership/ Goal 3.1.3 Results-Social/Emotional Growth and Goal
    4. Sent home positive notes to my January Students of the Month. Goal 4.1.3 Family and School Partnership/ Goal 3.1.3 Results-Social/Emotional Growth and Goal
    5. Worked on building testing schedules and PNP information for this year's state assessment test.
    6. Completed Formal Evaluation process on certified staff. Goal 2.1.1 Rigor-Increase student academic success through recruitment development and retention of innovative teachers
    7. Completed my January Walk-throughs on all certified staff. Goal 2.1.1 Rigor-Increase student academic success through recruitment development and retention of innovative teachers
    8. Attended January's MLB AD meeting.
    9. Attended District Admin Meeting..
    10. Attended Capital Improvement Committee Meeting on 1mn/21/26

- **Building Management**
    1. Held February Staff meetings 1/30/26 – Goal 2.2.3 Rigor-Increase student academic success. Agenda attached!
    2. Held our 2nd SIT Meetings (Student Improvement Teams) of the year. The team discussed ways to better meet the needs of our students. Goal 2.2.3 Rigor-Increase student academic success
    3. Sent out February newsletters for parents and students. Goal 5.1.4 Communication
    4. Completed and turned in KSHSAA Eligibility Forms to state.
    5. I sent out newsletters for parents and students. Goal 4.1.3 Family and School Partnership/ Goal 3.1.3 Results-Social/Emotional Growth and Goal
    6. Meet with students on behavior concerns. Gave disciplinary consequences.
    7. Sent letters out to parents of students that are having absenteeism problems.
    8. Started working on the basketball schedule for next year's home dates.
    9. Finalized the February Calendar before sending out to parents. . Goal 5.1.4 Communication
    10. Begin interviewing for the Edna Secretary Position.
    11. Finalized the weekly schedule before sending it out to staff.
    12. Attended Edna PTO Meeting
    13. Attached is my February Newsletter.

- **Activities**
    1. I want to congratulate the Edna Boys and Girls team for winning the 506 League Basketball Titles this year.
    2. Coach Wacker came and visited with our 6th and 7th grade students about Jr High Cross Country for next year.
    3. We begin our Scholar Bowl practices the week of February 10th. Our first competition will be Monday 2/23/26 . This year our MBL Quiz Bowls will be done in a live setting with a quiz bowl tournament to finish out the year.
    4. Attached is my February Newsletter.
    5. LC Band and Choir will do their Grade School Tour on Wednesday February 11th. Thank you! – we really enjoyed seeing and hearing the band and choir!
    6. Attached is my February Calendar

February C.A.T.S. 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 MBL Basketball Tournament this Week! Spirit Week!	2 CATS and Class Newsletters go home! P/J Day	3 BB vs. St. Pats @ Edna, 4:00 pm Blue & White Day	4 Senior Citizen Day (100th Day of School)	5 BB vs. St. Paul @ Edna, 4:00 pm Anything but a Backpack Day	6 Trade with a Teacher Day	7 MBL Tournament @ Oswego, 10:00 am (Middle and Lower Brackets) Little League BB @ Edna
8 (7-8) Quiz Bowl Starts this week! Kindness Week!	9 No School Staff PD Day MBL Tourn.@ Oswego, 4:00 pm (Top Bracket) Kindness Bingo Day	10 Play or sit with a new friend at recess/lunch.	11 LC Band/Choir Tour Notes of Appreciation Day	12 (PreK) Valentine Parties Puzzle Pages Day	13 (K-8) Valentine Parties A Positively Great Day	14 Lions "Father/Daughter Dance @ LC", 6:30 pm
15 Book Fair this Week!	16 Book Fair	17 P/T Conferences 3:30 to 7:30 (Book Fair Open during conferences, 3:00-7:00) Book Fair	18 Book Fair	19 P/T Conferences 3:30 to 7:00 (Book Fair Open during conferences, 3:00-7:00) Book Fair	20 Book Fair	21
22	23 Quiz Bowl @ Chetopa B-Team, 4:00 pm	24 PTO Meeting 6:00 pm	25	26 Quiz Bowl @ Altamont A-Team, 4:00 pm	27	28 Edna Stampede Community Building 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm "Garton Family"

Edna Staff Meeting
February 2026

Staff Meetings are designed for staff members to have the opportunity to learn, review, and make decisions on a variety of learning topics. i.e.- Building Management, Noteworthy Items, SIT, Student Activities/Incentive programs, PTO activities, Instructional, Curriculum and Data.

Friday, January 30th @ 7:40 am in STEAM Lab

Staff Members:	Pre. K- Michelle	K- Shelly
1- Becky	2- Ashley	3- Sarah
4- Stephanie	5- Taya	6- Therese
7- Alyson	8- Angela	Sp. Ed. - Emma
Music- Cindy	PE – Richard	Band – Lora

Meeting Agenda:

1. **Our Vision** - Future-Focused*Engaged*Supportive
2. **Our Mission -** To provide a supportive and engaging learning environment, grounded in strong relationships and community involvement, where all students belong and are equipped for the future.
3. **KESA Goal** - Structure Literacy - Science of Reading

4. Monthly PLC Team Meeting Agenda (Please share thoughts)
    a. February PLC (Tuesday February 10th) – Focus of Discussion: Coaching Day Discussion for February 24th. Create a schedule for the day so that all grades have a slot for their Teach and Debriefing time.
5. February Newsletter goes home (Monday February 2nd)
    a. **I need SOM before going home today!**
6. Yearbook Sales Reminder:
    a. 2/2 through 2/27
    b. Cost - $20.00
7. Fundraising Discussion Reminder
    a. Donors Choose or GoFundMe Reminder
    b. Must have approval from Building Principal before applying
    c. Needs to be added to your classroom inventory!
8. New Trip request form - Be very specific Example (EGS 1st grade trip to Greenbush)
9. LC Choir/Band Tour – Wednesday 2/11 - TBA
10. Book fair – 16th through the 20th.
    a. Theme – "Once Upon a Time" Fair Tales
    b. Will be open on Tuesday 2/17 and 2/19 during P/T Conferences.
    c. Door Contest
    d. Dress Up Days
        i. Tuesday Feb. 17th – Fairy Tale Character Day
        ii. Thursday Feb. 19th – Wear Your Finest Clothes Day

11. Kindness Week - 9th through the 13th
    a. 9th - **Kindness Bingo Day!**
    b. 10th - **Play with or sit by a new friend at recess or lunch Day!**
    c. 11th - **Notes of Appreciation Day!**
    d. 12th - **Kindness isn't Puzzling Day! (Puzzle Pages)**
    e. 13th - **A Positively Great Day (Share Positive Messages through Valentines!)**

12. Valentine Parties
    a. Pre-k - Thursday 2/12
    b. K-8 - Friday 2/13

13. **Evaluation Reminder:** Need to meet with everyone in February or March (Before Spring Break). Please be prepared to share how you are coming along on your goal. Have documents for me. Please come by anytime you are ready. Thanks

14. State Testing Security and Ethics Training.
    a. You have the powerpoint with you
    b. Will be our March PLC
    c. All Staff who monitor test are required to do the training
    d. Must sign form for proof for the state. (will share document)

15. P/T Conferences on Tuesday and Thursday. 2/17/26 and 2/19/26 – Will share google doc from fall! Will be sent home Wednesday 2/4/26.

16. Summer School Forms – Talk with parents at Conferences. Hand Out!
    a. Dates for summer school – June 1st through June 26th
    b. Hand out forms -
    c. Compass Academy Network - Will be offered for next year's 6-9 grades - during June (will have more information when we get it) - Enrichment/Leadership program for students caring B and A grades.

17. SKating Unit in PE - March 2nd through March 13th
    a. PTO will cover the cost for skate rentals!
18. Excellence in Education Nominees – Turn in by March 13th 2026
    a. Hand out forms

19. Planner/Folder Order Form for 26-27 school year
    a. In workroom
    b. Please fill out this week - Thank You

20. No field trips can be scheduled for May 15th (SDC Trip)

Habits of the Mind for February: "In your mailbox!"
1) Creating, Imagining, and Innovating
2) Responding with Wonder and Awe

The C.A.T.S. Tale

(Competent, Achieving, Talented, Students) February 2, 2026

January Students of the Month

We would like to congratulate the following students for being selected January students of the Month here at Edna. This is an honor and we are proud of you.

Pre-K – Kayden Smith and Lenna Stevenson

K – Kenna Murray | 1st – Kaine Rexwinkle | 2nd – Saphira Kinser | 3rd – Maggie Glowacki

4th – Adie Waugh | 5th – Grace Graves | 6th – Avalyn Broadwell | 7th – Braelyn Barnett

8th – Carsten Denman

Valentine's Day Notice

Pre-K will have their parties on Thursday 2/12 and K-8 on Friday 2/13. As in the past; we ask that you **DO NOT** have flowers, gift baskets, etc. delivered to the school. Because these items are very distracting and cause problems both in the classroom and on our buses, the school will not accept deliveries from home and/or florists.

Book Fair Coming Soon!

The week of February 16th through the 20th is when Edna's Book Fair is scheduled. Mrs. Buchanan is working to provide opportunities for our students and parents to visit the book fair. Tuesday 2/17 is "Fairy Tale Character Day" and Thursday 2/19 is "Wear Your Finest Clothes Day". This year's theme: "Once Upon a Time - Fairy Tales". Tuesday 2/17 and Thursday 2/19 – Parents may visit from 3:00 to 7:00 pm during conference time.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are set for Tuesday February 17th from 3:30 - 7:30 and Thursday February 19th from 3:30 to 7:00. If you need to see Mrs. Rucker will be available on Tuesday February 17th. Schedules are being set and we are looking forward to seeing each of you here.

Jr High Basketball Season Tournament Time

Our MBL Tournament will be at Oswego this year. Lower and Middle Brackets play on Saturday 2/7 and Upper Bracket plays on Monday 2/9.

Looking for Future Wildcats!

We are looking for students who will be attending kindergarten at Edna next year. If you know of a child who will be 5 years old on or before August 31st, please have the parent contact the school at 922-7210. We will need the child's name, birth date, parent name, address, and phone number. We are scheduled for Friday, April 17, 2026 from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Yearbook Sales

Yearbook Sales are going on and will begin Monday, February 2nd and run through Friday February 27th. Cost is $20.00. Yearbooks must be ordered and paid for in advance. Please make checks payable to **Edna Elementary Yearbook Fund**. Time is running out if you are planning to order a yearbook

2026 Kansas Assessments

The Kansas assessment is a program of the Kansas State Board of Education mandated by the Kansas Legislature. Students in our building will be participating this spring in Kansas Reading, Mathematics, and Science Assessments. All students in grades 3 through 8 will be assessed in Reading and Math and 5th and 8th grades will be assessed in science. The administration of the assessments will occur from March 23rd through April 24th. **It is important that your child does not miss school during the testing periods. If possible, please do not schedule any dentist/doctor appointments during this time.** We hope you stress the importance to your children of giving their best effort on the test.



Meadow View Board Report

February 10th, 2025

Building Management

*I did all of the usual building management procedures for the month; fire drills, transportation requests, weekly staff calendar, etc. Goal 1.1.3 Relevance meaningful learning experience

*I have completed all my On-Cycle Tenured evaluations, and all of my Non-Tenured evaluations are complete. Goal 1.1.3 Relevance meaningful learning experience

Educational Leadership

*As a member of the 506 Foundation I notified 6 district staff that their grants totaling $7,268.00 had been approved by the 506 Foundation. Goal #4 - Enhance Parent and Community Involvement to help support student success

*Mr. Peak has assumed responsibility for leading discussion on our at-risk students at Meadow View. He collects information about the students and disseminates relevant details to the staff. His efforts have significantly enhanced the quality and made a positive difference for these students. Goal 3.1.3 Social Emotional

*I've begun planning for this year's summer school program. During parent-teacher conferences, teachers will have discussions with parents regarding students who are invited to participate in summer school. Goal #4 - Enhance Parent and Community Involvement to help support student success

Noteworthy Items

*We maintain our presence on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to keep our parents informed about the latest updates at Meadow View. Additionally, we utilize our bright-arrow messaging system for quick communication. Goal 5.1.4 Communication

*Our district will again host Compass Academy, a middle school enrichment program for our 6th - 9th graders this year. It will run in conjunction with our regular summer school program. We are partnering with Compass Academy Network again to offer this program. They provide the teachers and curriculum, we provide the space, meals and transportation. The teachers will be from our district. Goal 1.1.3 Relevance meaningful learning experience

*Meadow View will host our book fair during the week of February 16th to 20th. This year, we are again partnering with "Scholastic Books" to explore how they can better align with our goals. Goal #4 - Enhance Parent and Community Involvement to help support student success

January student of the month:
First row: Sawyer Schlatter, McKenna Norton, Beau Check, Mayleigh Smith, Maisyn Gilpin, Axel Roberts, Abram Babb, Cooper Norton, Danielle Burris
Second row: Jeremiah Arnold, Hailey Choi, Sven Karhoff, Preslee Nelson, Asher Ebersole, Xavier Perkins, Michael Roberts, Joseph Baldwin



Saturday, Jan 10th was the SEKMEA District JH Honor Band and Choir. 7th- and 8th-grade musicians from across Southeast Kansas participated. They had to audition and be selected to perform with the ensembles. Students rehearsed all day with a clinician, and then performed a fantastic concert Saturday evening.





1st grade learned how to safely guide material through the sewing machine in ECHO.





The kids have enjoyed the cornhole unit in PE this week!





7th Ghering has completed the Kansas History Quiz and has started the Bleeding Kansas section.





Falcon News

February 2026

CHARACTER COUNTS
We are working on building character in our students. To help us teach these traits to our students we are implementing the "Character Counts" curriculum. This month's character trait is Citizenship. Do your share to make your school and community better. We want students to cooperate, protect the environment, get involved in community affairs, stay informed and vote, be a good neighbor, Obey laws and rules, respect authority and volunteer. We will work on this character trait over the next month and a half of school before moving on.

YEARBOOK SALES
The Meadow View Yearbook staff has announced that yearbook sales will be held during the month of February. Yearbooks will be $15.00 each. Our yearbook staff this year are: Kinsley Nutter, Mackenzee Reed, Quynn Reed, Michael Roberts, Chloe Choi, Aubree Kinsch, Kinsley Nutter. Order forms will be coming home soon.

BE COURTEOUS ON SOCIAL MEDIA
We are asking parents and school supporters to be courteous and thoughtful when posting student pictures on social media. We have many students enrolled in our school who have asked our district NOT to publish or post their pictures. Many times, at school functions and events parents take many pictures of their students and others. Please be considerate when publishing or posting pictures.

PRE-SCHOOL SIGN UP
We have Preschool sign ups scheduled for Friday, April 10th and Friday April 17th. Please call our office for an appointment 421-1857. After you have scheduled your appointment, bring your child's immunization records, social security card and birth certificates, as these are required for enrollment.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP
Kindergarten round-up is scheduled for Friday, April 17th. Please look for notes coming home or call Cindy in our office to schedule a time.

WINTER DRESS
As Kansas typically has very cold temperatures in February, please be aware of what your child is wearing to school. We will go outside for recess unless the temperature is dangerously low. Students need to wear a coat and hat during the winter months.

TRANSPORTATION NOTES
Sharon Wolgamontt is our transportation secretary. There is not enough room on this bulletin to describe all that she does to help keep 506 transportation rolling along, but some duties include dispatching, record keeping, scheduling and getting schools, students and parents all connected. When you call 784-5412 (Bus Barn) Sharon is normally who you will be speaking with.

BOOK FAIR
The Meadow View book fair will be held on Feb.16th through the 20th. Students will be able to shop for books during their library class. The fair will be open in the evening during Parent/Teacher conferences on Tues. Feb. 17th 3:30-7:30 and Thursday Feb. 19th 3:30-7:00. To access the book fair online log on at:
https://www.scholastic.com/bf/meadowviewelementaryschool17

STATE ASSESSMENTS
The State Assessment window opens on March 23 and runs through April 17th. Please be looking for an upcoming schedule.

CALENDAR
2. M Bball Here vs St. Paul 4:00
3 T PTO Meeting 3:40
3 T Site Council Meeting 5:30
4 W 7th grade field trip
5 Th Bball @ Bartlett
7 S MBL Tourney @ Oswego
9 M No School Prof. Dev.
9. M. MBL Tourney @ Oswego
9 M Board of Education Mtg
10 T Quiz Bowl practice begins
11 W. LC Band and Choir Tour
13 F Valentine Class Parties
14 S Father/ Daughter Dance
16 M. Skate Week begins
16 M Book Fair begins
16 M PreK field trip
17 T. P/T Conferences 3:30 to 7:30
19 Th P/T Conferences 3:30 to 7:00
20 F Book Fair Ends
23 M Quiz Bowl B team @ Chetopa
26 Th Quiz Bowl A team @ Altamont

PTO
PTO will meet again on Tuesday, February 3rd @ 3:40 in the library. Thank you for your support of our school.

SITE COUNCIL
Our next Site Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 3rd @ 5:30 in the library.

NO FLOWERS
Please do not deliver Valentine's Day flowers or gifts to school for your child again this year. We will not accept deliveries from parents or florists on that day. The area florists have been notified. Valentine parties will be around 2:15 on the 13th.

FOLLOW US!
Meadow View Elementary
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Mound Valley Grade School
Administrative Report
February 2026

Building Management

- Our building announcements are sent out weekly using Bright Arrow. Also, our newsletter is sent home monthly and PS, Facebook announcements are posted regularly.
- I have reviewed and approved the transportation request.

Educational Leadership

- We will celebrate Kindness Week with the following themed days for the week. Kindness Bingo, Play with or sit by a new friend at recess and lunch, notes of appreciation, Kindness isn't Puzzling, A Positively Great day
- Teachers will participate in Writing Professional Development this semester with Marie Walker and Haley Ellison from Greenbush. Our K-12 ELA teachers will meet with Greenbush trainers for a half day of training and participating classroom coaching. Our focus of training is writing strategies and how to implement writing in all subjects.
- Our nurse will begin the Human Sexuality classes for our fifth through eighth grade students. We will send home letters to inform the parents and provide information about the class. We will provide students a opt out choice with parent permission.
- Our Quiz Bowl teacher, Jessica Heit, is in the process of scheduling practices, developing the team, and informing parents and students of expectations. We are excited to begin practicing and participating in the meets.
- We started scheduling our Parent/Teacher conferences this month. We hope to have a great attendance as we did last semester.
- We are scheduling and planning our Book Fair. The Book Fair will be open during Parent Teacher conferences. This is a great and convenient time for parents to visit with teachers and attend the Book Fair. Our Book Fair themed days will be Tuesday-Biscuits with Dad, Wednesday-Muffins with Mom, Thursday-Pizza with Pals.

Noteworthy Items

- Spirit Week is this week and we will promote school spirit for our basketball tournament. Monday-Mustang Pride, Tuesday-Pattern Day, Wednesday-100 year old day, Thursday-Mustang Pride Day.
- Our JH Basketball teams have had a successful season. They will play at the Mineral Belt League tournament this weekend. A big thank you to our awesome coaches Andy and Carrie O'Brien.
- We celebrated our school counselor, Mrs. O'Brien, this week during National School Counselor Week. We are so thankful for Mrs. O'Brien and all she does for our students, staff, and families.
- We celebrated 100 days of school this week.

Respectfully,

Melissa Green


Sportsmanship...
You Make The Difference!


SPORTSMANSHIP
CODE
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Respect officials and all their decisions.
Accept victory or defeat graciously.
Strive to maintain high standards of behavior.
Strive to maintain pride in self and school.
KANSAS HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
Home
Guests
period
Labette Bank




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Labette Bank
Achievement of AR 25 Point Club
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Achievement of AR 15 Point Club
Achievement of AR 25 Point Club

Mound Valley Grade School
News and Notes

February 2026

Important Dates:
Feb. 2 BBall vs Thayer @ MVal 4:00
Feb. 2-6 Spirit Week
Feb. 5 BBall @ MVAL vs. AGS @ 4:00
Feb. 6 Child Find
Feb. 7 MBL BB Tournament @ Oswego
Feb. 9 No School, MBL BB Tournament @ Oswego
Feb. 9-13 Kindness Week
Feb. 13 2:30 Valentine's Day parties
Feb. 14 Lions' Father Daughter Dance
Feb. 16-19 Book Fair
Feb. 17 & 19 Parent Teacher Conferences
Feb. 23 Quiz Bowl B team @ 4:00 @ Chetopa
Feb. 26 Quiz Bowl A team @ 4:00 @ AGS
Mar 2 Quiz Bowl B team @ 4:00 @ MVal
(This calendar is subject to change. Please check the Mound Valley calendar on the district website for changes and updates at usd506.org) Click on the Calendar button, then choose the Mound Valley calendar. You may have to choose the current month to update the calendar.)



Monday-Whiteout/Blackout (wear all white or all black)
Tuesday- Pattern Play-(animal print, polka dots, plaid, etc.)
Wednesday- 100 day of school so dress like you are 100 years old.
Thursday-Mustang Pride Day (wear black and gold)
Friday- Pajama Day (school appropriate, no thin straps, short shorts, etc.)
School rules/dress code must be followed!



Monday, Feb. 9th - Kindness Bingo
Students will receive a bingo card and are encouraged to complete the bingo card by Friday. Compete with another classmate to see who can do this first.
Tuesday, Feb.10th - Play with or sit by a new friend at recess or lunch.
Wednesday, Feb. 11th - Notes of Appreciation
Students are encouraged to write and/or color a special note of appreciation to staff members.
Thursday, Feb. 12th - Kindness isn't Puzzling! (Puzzle Pages)
Students will receive a puzzle page focusing on kindness.
Friday, Feb. 13th - A Positively Great Day (Share Positive Messages thru Valentines)
Teachers and students will celebrate Valentine's Day in their own classrooms passing on even more kindness and fun.



- **Quiz Bowl**

Quiz Bowl will start Feb. 10th for 7th and 8th grade students. Mrs. Heit is excited and ready to start practice.



- **Book Fair**

Book Fair will be Feb. 16-19. Be on the look-out for information coming home about the Book Fair times. Checkout out our Facebook for information. Scholastic will donate 25% of the sales to our Library!

- **No Flowers**

Please do not deliver Valentines' Day flowers or gifts to school for your children again this year. We will not accept deliveries from

parents or florists on that day. The area florists have been notified. Valentine Parties will be around 2:30 p.m. on the 14th.

- **Parents as Teachers**

Parents as Teachers Labette County USD 506 Being a parent is hard work, USD 506 offers a FREE Child development/parenting program to families who are expecting or raising a young child under the age of three. Parents who enroll in the voluntary "Parents as Teachers" can expect personal visits every 3-4 weeks from a certified Parent Educator and opportunities to meet other parents of young children at group connections.
For more information or to enroll "Parents as Teachers" please contact Paula Kastler or call at 620-820-3892.



- **Transportation Corner**

The following items are just a few facts compiled by the Minnesota School Bus Operators Association but they applicable to Kansas Public School transportation and our bus drivers.
The school bus has become an American icon that represents the care and concern we have for our future generations. But did you know? According to National Highway Traffic Safety data, your child is 50 times safer in a school bus than riding with friends or driving themselves to school, and 20 times safer than riding with a parent driver. Moreover, safety experts estimate that cutting school bus service in the US would result in 800 additional student deaths per year. Your child's school bus driver is supported by an entire team dedicated to safety. From the mechanic who ensures that the bus is mechanically sound, to the dispatcher who makes sure that routes are designed to minimize traffic hazards, to the office staff that stay in compliance with state and federal regulations. School bus drivers are carefully screened and trained. Strict criminal background checks as well as driving record checks are done on an on-going basis. Physical exams and drug and alcohol testing are conducted on all drivers throughout their employment.
The effects of the school bus reach into the classroom as well; recently data in Tennessee has shown that cutting school bus service increased student absenteeism from 5% to 18%.

- **Bullying**

Jeff Veley is a mental health professional that's insanely entertaining. Despite extraordinary challenges, he learned how to make friends and manage enemies. Today, he's a speaker who travels the globe empowering kids and grownups. His fun presentations inspire students to be resilient – teaching them how to leverage their adversities for psychological growth. Jeff's simple strategies for bullying prevention have reached 1 million people and earned two international awards for effectiveness in conflict resolution. As a result, he's recognized as a Peace Ambassador by the United Nations. A social misfit turned social skills educator, Jeff is able to connect with kids from all walks of life and provide the skills necessary to overcome life's challenges. Here is a link to a video where Jeff talks about bullying.
https://www.jeffveley.com/free-video-training-delivery/?mc_cid=2164720ef0&mc_eid=687d8908d7

- **Colder Weather**

As cold weather approaches this season please be mindful of what your child wears to school. We will be going outside for recess unless the temperature is extreme. Students need to wear a coat, hat, and gloves during the winter months.

- **School Closings**

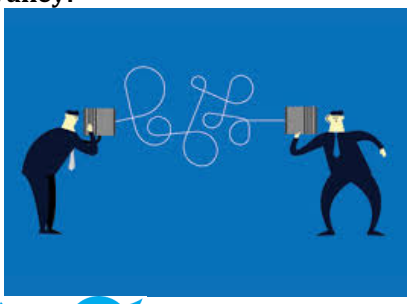
In the event of inclement weather or mechanical breakdown, school may be closed or starting time delayed. The automated phone system will be implemented. However, please check the following stations for school closings in the event of a system failure: KOAM-TV (channel 7) KODETV (12) KKOW 96.9 FM KGGF 690 AM KLKC 93.5 FM KOBC 90.7 FM

- **Health**

Cold and Flu season is just warming up, so remember this time of year the added

importance of good hand washing. Please encourage your child to use warm water with soap and scrub for as long as it takes for them to sing "Happy Birthday" twice, making sure they get between fingers, wrists, and backs of hands too. While hand sanitizer, vitamins, and flu shots are great, hand washing is the single best way to prevent the spread of germs.

- **How to find out what is going on at the Valley!**



@MVGSMustangs

@moundvalleygs



Phone: 620-328-3121
http://www.usd506.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Mound%20Valley%20Grade%20School

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LABETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Updates from the Administrative Office
FEBRUARY 2026

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP:

- Attending weekly Instructional Leader Forum online through Greenbush.
- Classroom walk-throughs and teacher evaluations continue.
- Attending scheduled USD 506 administrative meetings.
- Conducted weekly meetings with the Athletic Director.
- Conducted January PD to get teachers motivationally prepped for 2nd semester!
- Departmental meeting-scheduled monthly and feedback processed.
- Spring CTE Advisory Board meeting conducted on January 15th at LCHS.

BUILDING MANAGEMENT:

- The many new custodial faces in all our buildings has been an adjustment-but a great one! We are thankful,as they are showing great pride in their efforts to keep LCHS clean!
- We appreciate all the efforts to keep our buildings warm and safe during this past storm.
- The nets and equipment are up for Haury Hall Gym to be a baseball and softball facility.
- Special thanks to Denise Spencer & Todd McCoskey for their help in training all our new custodial staff!

NOTEWORTHY ITEMS:

- LCHS KAY Club hosted the annual Unit Conference welcoming more than 10 other area high school students for a day of leadership and service training.
- Motivational speaker Kate Garnes presented to LCHS students about self-direction, self-confidence and the value of positive influences.
- Skills USA State Officers M.J. Ashen, Annabell Spencer, Nyallie Baldwin visited the State Capitol during Citizenship day. They interacted with other officers and spoke with Kansas State Board of Education members.
- Numerous basketball players and cheerleaders earned All Academic Honors at the Burlington Tournament for their 4.0 GPA's.
- LCHS FFA hosted the annual Southeast District welding contest. Samuel Friess, Junior, placed 1st overall.
- Theatre Instructor, Heather Wilson, was named Kansas Thespians Region 4 Teacher of the year.
- Coach, Bradley Argabright and Senior, Mikel Reed-Shaw, were invited to participate in the 2026 Kansas Shrine Bowl happening this summer.
- The LCHS FFA Public Speaking Team was crowned state champions.
- LC Wrestler Aaron Wyrick earned his 100th win. Aaron is a Junior at LCHS.

As sports, concerts, performances and competitions are in full swing, we are reminded that a "GRIZZLY" always stands out. Whether as fans or competitors they represent LCHS with pride at all times-publically and most importantly when no one else is watching!

The flu and cold season is right on top of us, and taking its toll on our kids, our teachers and staff - We truly appreciate the way everyone works hard to ensure that students can be successful and daily operations continue as normal because of the efforts we put in as a team.

Grizzly Nation continues to be what others aspire to achieve!

ENGLISH IN ACTION



Mrs. Leake

Stories of Survival Literature

The Plane Crash in the Andes podcast series is captivating the students in the survival literature class. The story profoundly impacts students, even those who are not typically interested in reading. This true story, which recounts the challenging experience of a rugby team that crashed in the Andes and survived for seventy-two days, offers powerful life lessons about perseverance. We have integrated academic skills, including constructing comprehension responses, citing sources, and essay writing. The cold weather and snow we are enduring this month add to this reading experience.

Mrs. Wilson

In **Fiction Writing**, students are exploring short story elements and beginning to write short "seed stories" for future expansion.

Poetry students watched *Louder Than a Bomb* to help understand competitive spoken-word poetry and they began writing their own portrait poem, based on a piece from LTAB.

In **Intro to Writing**, students are reviewing fragments and run-on sentences while reading examples of personal narratives and brainstorming ideas to write their own.

In **Mythology**, we have been studying which stories are classified as myths and why, as well as creation stories from around the world. Students completed a mini research project on a creation story of their choosing and presented their findings to the class.

True Crime Literature students are exploring what is credited as the first true crime novel, *In Cold Blood,* by Truman Capote. We are discussing text-to-world and text-to-self connections as this novel covers a historic case that occurred in a small, farming town in western Kansas.



MYTHOLOGY - CREATION MYTH PRESENTATIONS

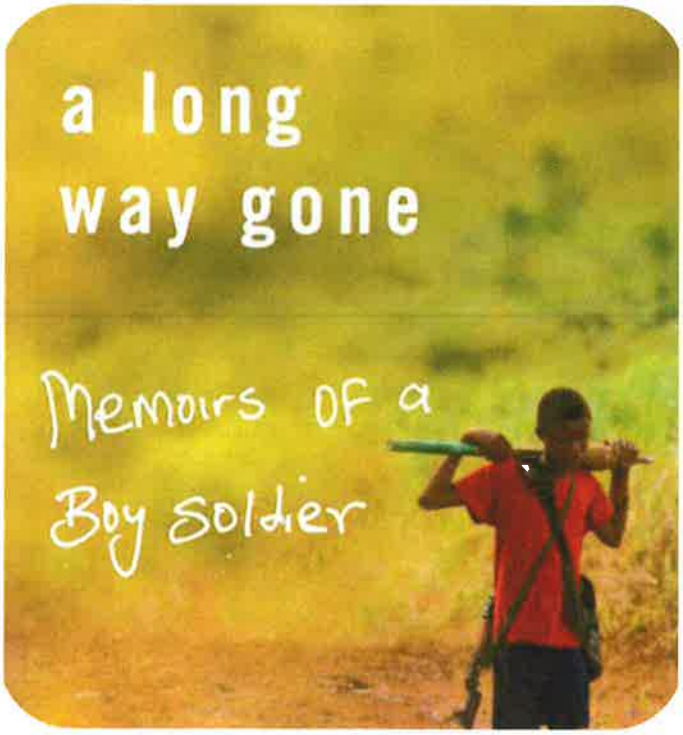


Mrs. Booth

Composition II is off to a great start. The theme for this semester is "Alternative Medicine". They have been reading and evaluating a variety of sources that fall within that theme. For each source, they must annotate their thought process as they engage with the text and then dive deeper into its purpose. The students also wrote article abstracts this month. They got to choose an article that falls within the theme, and then they had to write an abstract that encompassed the article's claim. We are also currently planning a field trip to the Axe Library at Pittsburg State University so that the students can learn research tips and tricks while using academic datatbases.

Mrs. Chapman

This month in War Literature, students have been immersing themselves in poetry, a memoir excerpt, and a short story as preparation for reading *A Long Way Gone* by Ishmael Beah. Through these texts, we are exploring the essential question of the human cost of war, along with guiding questions about how war reshapes identity, the loss and reconstruction of innocence, moral ambiguity, survival, and the power of storytelling and testimony. These conversations ask students to dig deep—examining not only the texts themselves, but also the world around them. The material is challenging and thought-provoking, pushing students to think critically, reflect thoughtfully, and engage with perspectives that are sometimes uncomfortable but deeply important.



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ELA Student Spotlights



Sierra Hill



Karsyn Terrell



Adlee Wiford



Colt Griffin



SPANISH

January Newsletter

Mrs. Plaza

GRADE SCHOOLS

The grade school students learned about New Year's traditions in Spanish-speaking countries. From Spain, they learned about the tradition of eating 12 grapes at midnight, and from Colombia and Mexico, they learned that people run with a suitcase on New Year's Eve as a wish for travel in the coming year. So, each student carried their suitcase filled with New Year's wishes.





SPANISH I

Spanish I students have learned vocabulary about healthy food and how to form plural adjectives.



SPANISH II

Spanish II students have learned grammar related to comparatives and superlatives and vocabulary of colors.
They created and presented a project called "The Year Awards" in which they showcased their best and worst song, movie, music group, and video of the year.

GUEST SPEAKER

The health sciences teacher asked me to give a talk to her students about the healthcare system in Spain. And I did on JAnuary the 29th during 4th ans 6th hour.

2 NORTH NEWSLETTER

JANUARY EDITION

MATH CLUB 2025 - 2026

Math Club is back to MSSU this month. This will be our 4th meet at Missouri Southern. Our 5th and final meet will be in March. As always, the kids have done a great job being Grizzlies and I couldn't be prouder.

GEOMETRY

Geometry students have just finished our 5th unit over Congruent Triangles and are about to start working on their Triangle Art Project. Students will be asked to work individually to create an original art piece made completely of triangles.

ALGEBRA 1

Algebra 1 students have recently wrapped up unit 5 over the solving of systems of equations using multiple strategies such as graphing, substitution, and elimination to solve multiple equations for multiple unknowns. Students rounded out the unit by solving systems of inequalities. In the coming days and weeks we will power into the properties of exponents and will round out unit 6 simplifying and solving radical expressions and equations.

ALGEBRA 2

Algebra 2 students have kicked off the semester with a focus on practicing working on the types of problems they will see on the state test. An emphasis has been put on the format of such problems so that students are more familiar and comfortable.

ELEMENTARY STATS

Elementary Stats students are off to a great start. They have already learned about the different types of data collection and sampling techniques, as well as the different types of data, statistics and studies. We then moved on to frequency distributions and graphs. They are organizing data and learning how to display it using Histograms, Frequency Polygons, Ogives, Bar Graphs, Pareto Charts, Time Series Graphs, and Pie Charts.



CONSUMER MATH

Consumer Mathematics aims to equip students with essential mathematical skills for managing personal finances and making informed consumer decisions. Students did a short lesson on taxes. We will dive deeper into taxes once tax season rolls around. Students started out the spring semester learning the difference between simple and compounding interest .



APPLIED MATH

Applied mathematics is designed to demonstrate the practical applications of mathematical concepts across various fields. Students closed out the fall semester by learning how to convert standard and metric units. Students started the spring semester learning about exponents and square roots.



INTRO TO ALGEBRA

Intro students have finished their first chapter of the semester. Students focused on learning how to write linear equations using coordinates, slope, and the y-intercept.

$$y = mx + b$$

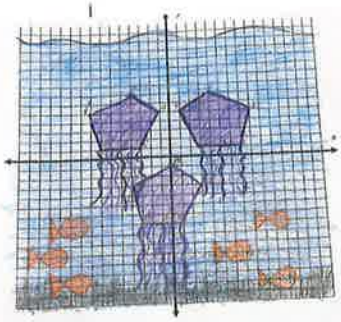
QUANTITATIVE REASONING

Quantitative Reasoning has been a new adventure for all of us. So far, we've learned about Sets and Subsets, Venn diagrams, and descriptive and inferential statistics. It's an interesting class and I have a great group of students.



GEOMETRY EMBLEM PROJECT

MEGAN HANIGAN

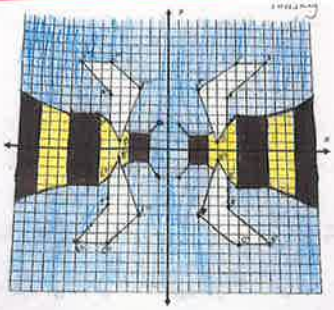


Describe the sequence of transformations in your emblem:

1. Reflect on y-axis
2. Translation (x+4, y-8)

Your Motto: Move like a jellyfish and go with the flow.

KINSLEY LASSEN

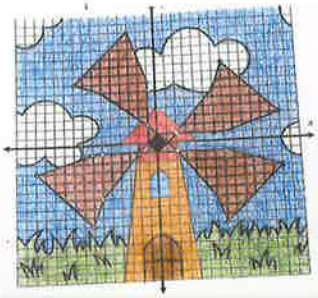


Describe the sequence of transformations in your emblem:

1. Reflection in the x-axis
2. 180 Rotation
3. Reflection in the y-axis

Your Motto: Don't let the bumps limit how you move.

MCKYNLEE BAKER

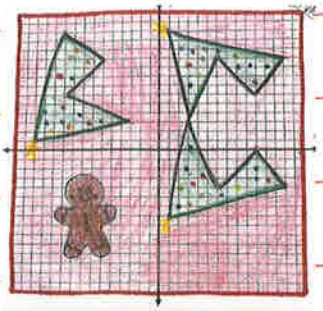


Describe the sequence of transformations in your emblem:

1. ref. across y-axis
2. ref. across x-axis
3. rotation 180°

Your Motto: Use it as an opportunity to learn from mistakes and learning from them.

KATY TYLER



Describe the sequence of transformations in your emblem:

1. I reflected it across the y-axis at 3.
2. I rotated it 180°

Your Motto: Live, Love, Be Blessed

PAISHANCE WAGNER

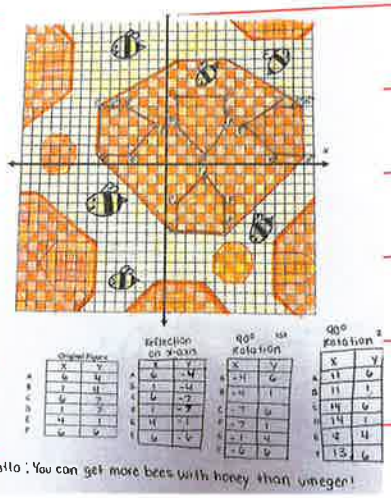


Describe the sequence of transformations in your emblem:

1. Image A turns to the right 3 units up
2. Reflect figure 2 across the y-axis

Your Motto: "Transform your future"

LILAH HINMAN



Hello! You can get more bees with honey than vinegar!

LCHS Science Department — January 2026 Update

Scoop of Science



January Restart

The LCHS Science department has began the 2026 calendar year with a refreshed group of teachers and a new semester ahead of us. A few students have switched some classes and new courses have begun for the spring semester. In particular, Marine Biology has replaced Zoology and Meteorology has taken the place of Astronomy. The remainder of the courses have begun semester two of the year-long core subjects such as Physical Science, Chemistry, and Anatomy & Physiology.

Science in Action



Anatomy and Physiology (Taylor)

In Anatomy and Physiology, students are studying the nervous system and the endocrine system, focusing on how each controls and coordinates functions throughout the body. They are comparing fast electrical signaling with slower hormone-based communication to see how the two systems work together to maintain homeostasis. Class activities and discussions are helping students connect these concepts to real-life health and body function.

Physical Science (Worsley and Stone)

Our physical science students have been exploring the planets, learning about their sizes, compositions, and positions in our solar system. To bring this learning to life, students completed a hands-on project where they created and painted model planets, carefully representing key features of each one. The finished models sparked great discussion and are now proudly displayed as a visual reminder of their growing understanding of planetary science.

Individual Classroom Updates - December

Chemistry (Cochran)

Chemistry students are studying precipitation reactions to understand how insoluble solids form when aqueous solutions are mixed. Through lab experiments, students observed and analyzed the creation of precipitates to connect chemical equations with real-world reactions. The lab work for this unit explores the production of calcium carbonate which is commonly used in many projects in this area including gravel roads.

Meteorology (Cochran)

The Meteorology students come in to this semester just in time to study the two most exciting topics - snow storms and severe weather. Fortunately we had a good opportunity during January to watch the computer models try to predict the incoming snowstorm and the all important chance at an "incliment weather" day at school!

Marine(Taylor)

In Marine Biology, students are learning about cnidarians and mollusks, exploring their structures, behaviors, and roles in ocean ecosystems. Students are also getting excited for an upcoming squid dissection that will give them a hands-on look at mollusk anatomy.

Biology (Worsley)

In Biology, students are learning about the immune system and how the body responds to viruses. To apply these concepts, they completed a lab that involved searching the school for places where viruses are most likely to be found and spread. This activity helped students connect immune defenses and viral transmission to real-world situations.

Forensic Science (Stone)

Biology students are studying plant anatomy while examining pollinators native to Kansas, such as bees, butterflies, and other beneficial insects. Through local examples and observations, students are learning how plant structures and regional pollinators work together to support Kansas ecosystems.

Physics (Cochran)

Physics students begin the 2026 semester by investigating momentum and angular motion. While momentum is a fairly intuitive concept, the level of difficulty is quickly raised when angular motion involves all variables in the greek alphabet. Students get to practice these ideas by using a teeter-totter at the local Altamont park.

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT
2026

ECONOMICS

STUDENTS LEARNED HOW TO READ A PAYSTUB AND BASIC TAX FORMS. WE HAVE WRAPPED UP THE UNIT, COMPLETING THE BASIC TAX FORMS

GEN PSYCHOLOGY

STUDENTS LEARNED ABOUT BRANCHES OF PSYCHOLOGY AND HOW TO COLLECT DATA FOR RESEARCH. STUDENTS CONCLUDED THE PROJECT WITH SURVEY DATA COLLECTION AND PRESENTED TO THE CLASS THEIR FINDINGS ON FAVORITE MUSIC, THE IMPACT OF CELL PHONES ON LEARNING, PREFERENCES ON EATING, AND HEALTHY HABITS.

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

LEARNED ABOUT VYGOTSKY'S THEORY OF SCAFFOLDING AND HOW IT IMPACTS THE ZONE OF PROXIMAL DEVELOPMENT (WHAT WE CAN DO WITH HELP EXPANDS OUR CAPACITY FOR LEARNING). STUDENTS THEN LEARNED ABOUT CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES AND THE PRENATAL STAGES. THEY HAVE STARTED THEIR DIGITAL BABY JOURNALS AND WILL BEGIN CARING FOR THE REALCARE INFANTS AS A PART OF OUR NEXT STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT.





WORLD HISTORY

WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE RENAISSANCE AND REFORMATION, AND THE IMPACT THEY HAD ON THE WORLD, WHILE ALSO USING PRIMARY SOURCES TO BETTER OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE TOPICS.

CONTEMPORARY WORLD ISSUES

WE HAVE LEARNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES PEOPLE FACE AROUND THE WORLD AND DEBATED WHAT CAUSED THEM. WE ARE NOW MOVING INTO SOCIAL ISSUES FACED AROUND THE WORLD

CONSTITUTION

WE HAVE STUDIED THE WRITING OF OUR CONSTITUTION, THE 3 BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT, AND 3 LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT. WE ARE ALSO RESEARCHING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS.

GEOGRAPHY

WE ARE STUDYING THE KANSAS COUNTIES ALONG WITH THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

AMERICAN HISTORY

THIS MONTH, OUR U.S. HISTORY STUDENTS MOVED BEYOND DATES AND FACTS TO EXPLORE THE HUMAN COST AND POLITICAL SHIFTS OF THE 1930S. OUR UNIT ON THE GREAT DEPRESSION AND THE NEW DEAL FOCUSED ON EMPATHY, ECONOMIC DECISION-MAKING, AND THE EVOLUTION OF FEDERAL POLICY. ACTIVITIES INCLUDED A GREAT DEPRESSION SIMULATION, FILM ANALYSIS: "CINDERELLA MAN", AND A RIGOROUS ESSAY ASSIGNMENT. THE STUDENTS' ABILITY TO ARTICULATE THE MERITS AND CRITICISMS OF EACH PHILOSOPHY WAS IMPRESSIVE. IT WAS A SUCCESSFUL MONTH OF CONNECTING HISTORICAL POLICY TO REAL-WORLD SURVIVAL STORIES.





LCHS JANUARY 2026 PE/HEALTH NEWS

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

In January Strength and Conditioning classes have been working on improving their maxes from last semester and hitting all their fitness goals. We spent the first two weeks of the semester adding weight throughout workouts in bench,squat, and clean. We have also added deadlift into our regimen and sport specific lift. Basketball players are still working on their explosion and injury prevention lifts, while baseball players have started on plyo and band workouts for shoulders to prepare for baseball in the spring.

Coach Brown



WHATS HAPPENING IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our freshman PE classes just finished our pickle ball unit! The kids had so much fun and learned a lifelong activity that is fun and will keep them active! Our next unit will be badminton as we continue with our racket sports.

In health class students are kicking off our human body unit by learning the basic bones of the human body and will learn the basic muscles and organs and their functions. We also have a big fitness unit where they will tie everything together!

Coach A & V

COACH VOLMER WEIGHTS

The beefcakes are working hard in the weight room! They are navigating being in season as basketball, wrestlers, and cheerleaders. As well as out of season athletes that are gearing up for softball and track. I am excited to see how much growth we make when we max out at the end of the 3rd nine weeks, finish our winter sports, and head into spring. These girls are learning a valuable life skill and I am so proud of their growth! **-Coach Volmer**



CTE-Admin Building



Sra. Plaza spoke to classes about the healthcare systems in Spain

Health Careers

Health Science has continued learning about infection, military time, culture and body cavities. This month Kaitlin Myers, ICU RN came and discussed her vital profession in nursing dealing with critical patients (tying in with our infection chapter).
Mrs. Plaza came to talk about the healthcare system in Spain and how their culture differs from ours.
Health Science III continues to shadow all units at Labette Health and now the Health Department.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Intro to FCS students are now learning about the characteristics of healthy relationships and how to recognize the warning signs of unhealthy relationships.

Culinary Essentials class has now transitioned into Baking and Pastry I, and students have begun learning about the functions of different baking ingredients. Their first labs of the new semester and aimed towards understanding leavening.

Advanced culinary students have been busy cooking for school and community events, including breakfast for KAY sponsors at the conference hosted at LCHS, pastries for coaches of winter sports, and desserts for the Parsons Chamber of Commerce dinner.

FCCLA members are looking forward to CTE month in February, including FCCLA Week February 9-13.

ProStart teams have set their menus and are brushing up on their ServSafe knowledge for competition..



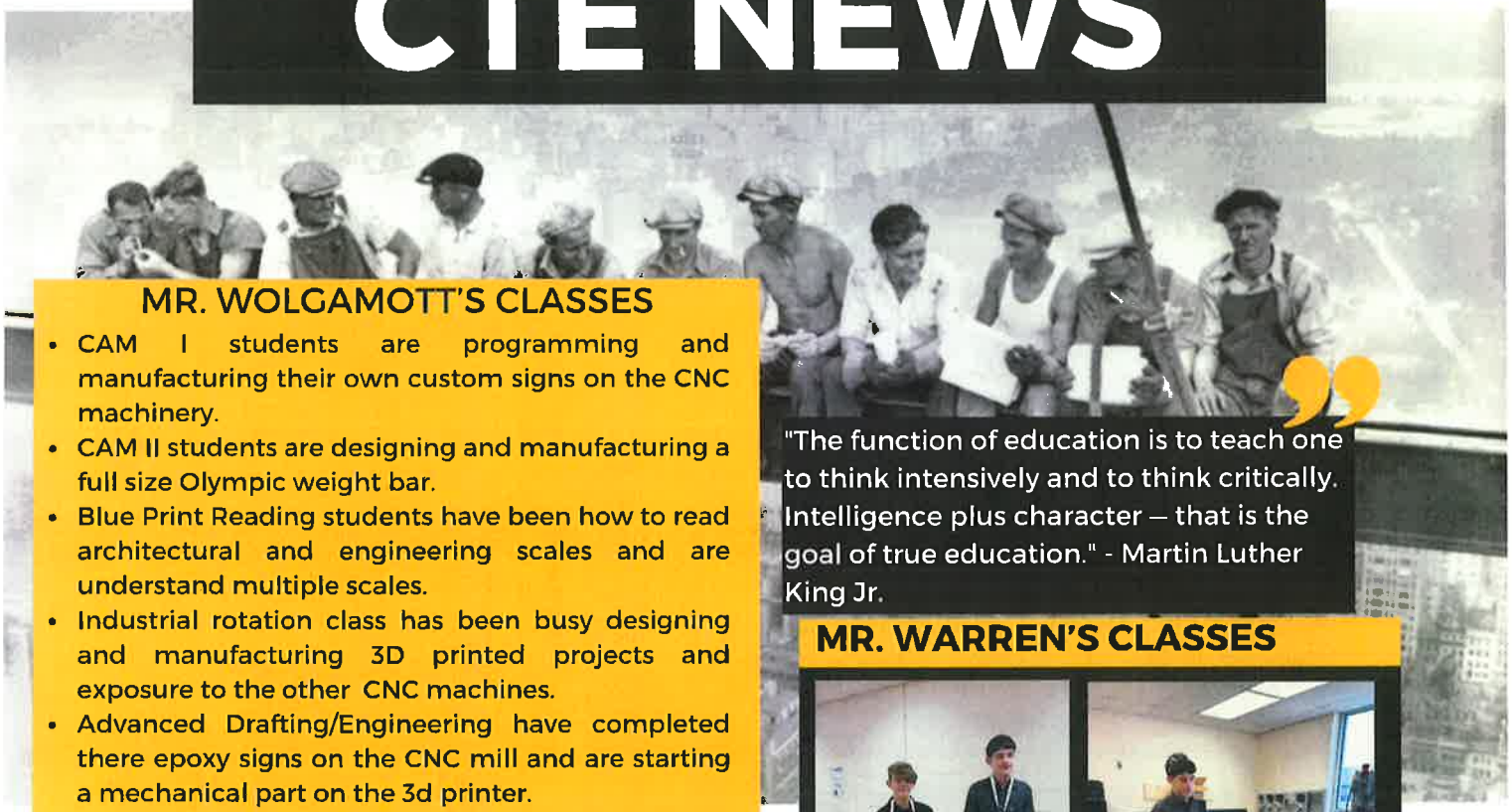
Baking and Pastry students learned about yeast by making cinnamon rolls.

Business

The Grizzly Grind
Students at the coffee shop have been working hard retraining each other and working on consistency. Students are also getting some opportunities to step up as managers this semester and learning these new roles. This semester students will also be learning how to do inventory and learning the ins and outs of ordering and deliveries. Last semester students got started working on a new handbook for the coffee shop and/or updating several sections to apply to todays' atmosphere. The new online ordering platform with Square has been working out wonderfully, and deliveries to AGS and LCHS have been going as planned. Be on the look out for the new February menu, with new drinks and food options.

FBLA
FBLA regional competitions have been moved to Feb 3. Students made Valentine card as part of our community service project, during this month's FBLA meeting. Students will be taking the cards to a local Senior center showing love and support for those who may not always receive it. Some members have also decided to spend some time with seniors reading a book, playing a game or just chatting.

CTE NEWS



MR. WOLGAMOTT'S CLASSES

- CAM I students are programming and manufacturing their own custom signs on the CNC machinery.
- CAM II students are designing and manufacturing a full size Olympic weight bar.
- Blue Print Reading students have been how to read architectural and engineering scales and are understand multiple scales.
- Industrial rotation class has been busy designing and manufacturing 3D printed projects and exposure to the other CNC machines.
- Advanced Drafting/Engineering have completed there epoxy signs on the CNC mill and are starting a mechanical part on the 3d printer.
- CAD I students are designing bullet antennas for their vehicles and are designing a new house for a client building in the City of Altamont



"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." - Martin Luther King Jr.

MR. WARREN'S CLASSES



Foundations of Electronics- Students are finishing up series-parallel circuits, Thevenin's Theorem, and Superposition Theorem. We are beginning the AC portion of the curriculum.

Emerging Technologies- Students are working on classes of amplifiers such as Class AB Push-Pull and Complementary Symmetry Class AB Amplifiers.

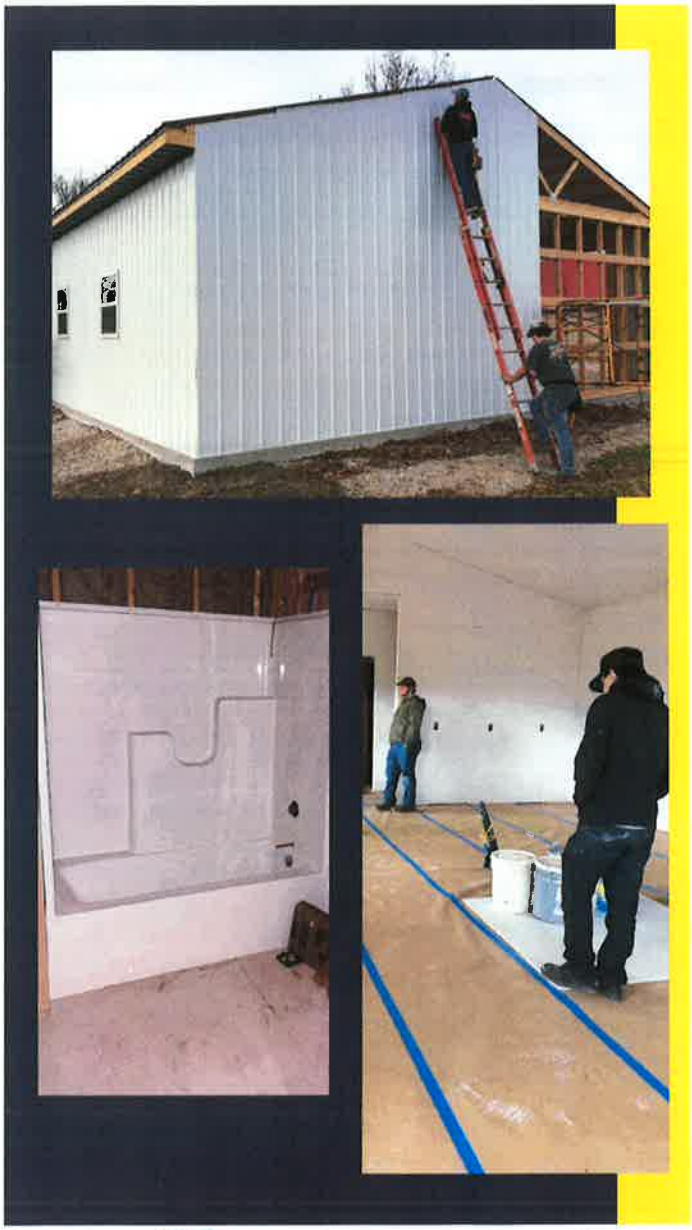
Digital Electronics- Students are finishing up Flip-Flops and are starting Digital Counters and Dividers.

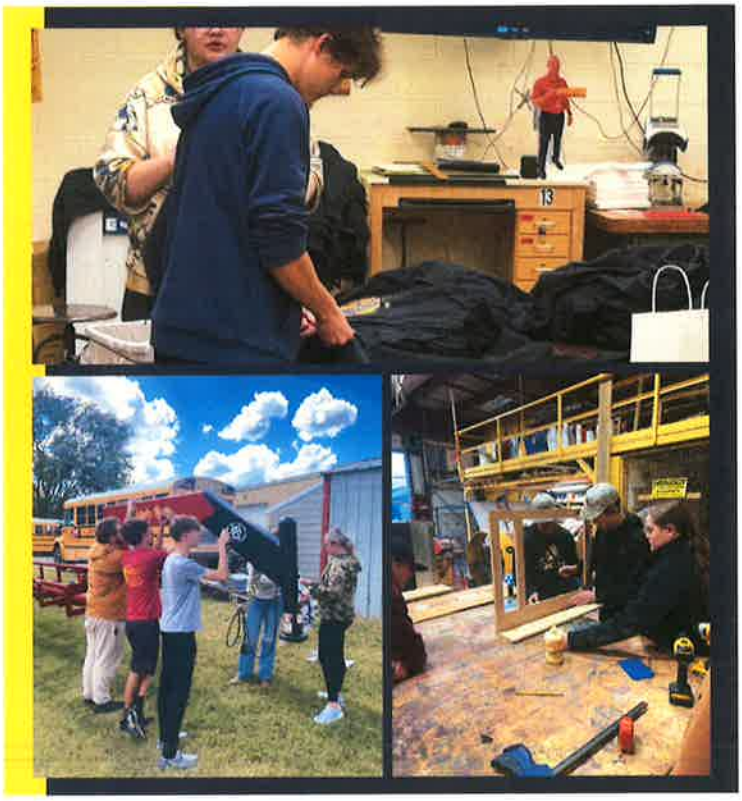
Advanced Electronics- Students are working on Industrial Electronics along with Motor controls. Mason Hoppes brought in a PLC unit to program before Christmas and afterward he went to Toronto, Canada to train their employees how to run the unit during the 2nd week of January.

WELCOME TO THE CTE NEWSLETTER

MR. CARES'S CLASSES

- Bartlett house is ready for paint!
- Trim and doors are stained.
- 30x30 shop has all the wall metal and is ready for finishing trim pieces.





MR. OMARKHAIL'S CLASSES

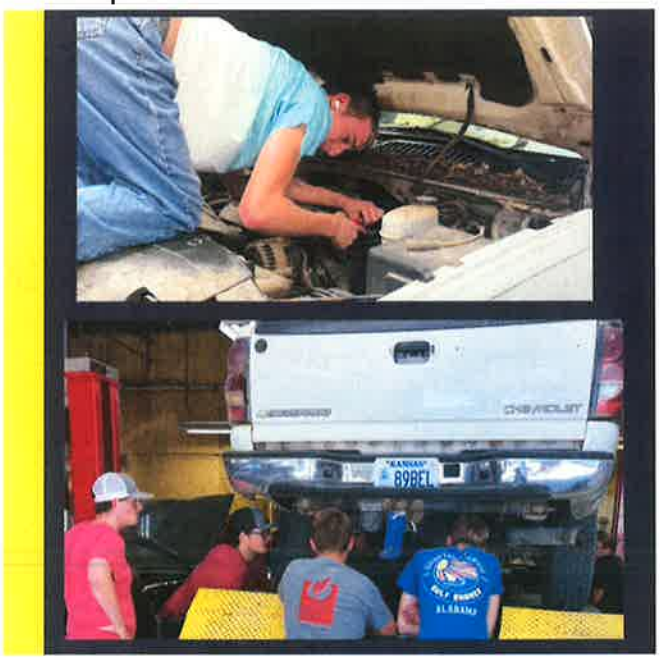
- The cabinetry students have completed the small kitchen project. They are now design next kitchen.
- The man proc/graphic production classes have completed several projects to date. They are currently working on personal projects and preparing for upcoming community projects.
- The powder coat oven is still continuing to see more projects.

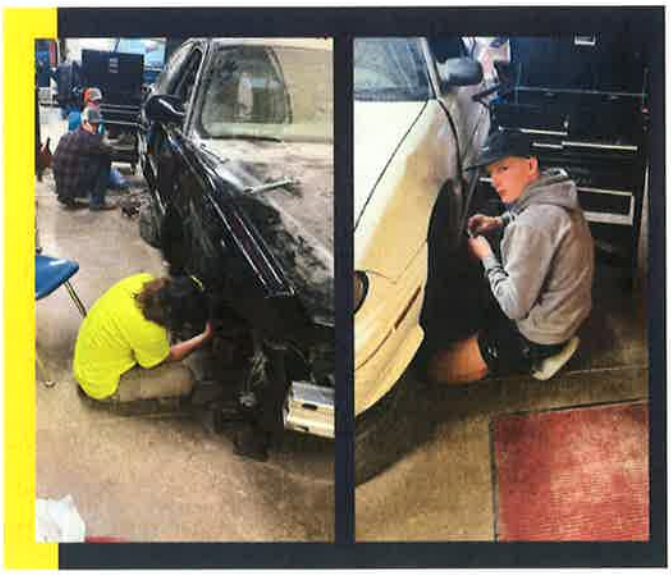


WELCOME TO THE CTE NEWSLETTER

MR. RUTTGEN'S CLASSES

- Steering II
- Suspension I







SKILLS USA NEWS

SkillsUSA Students went to Citizenship Day in Topeka January 13 and 14. MJ Ashen presented her Framework story to the State Board of Education.



FFA

Mr. Becker

This month is ag shop has been a busy one. Students have been finishing up projects for Christmas. Just a few days ago we found out that Justin Nash, Gavin Mahurin, and Koltin Scott have been invited to attend the Prairieland Partners John Deere Tech School in Council Bluffs Iowa. These students will attend this tech school with all expenses paid and will recieve a paycheck for attending school.



Mrs. Winters













This month, we helped host the SED welding contest. We have still been busy with all sorts of projects, we have started to bend test coupons, and we have been working on multiple different shop projects.

Mr. Wiley

FFA

WE RECENTLY RECEIVED NEWS THAT NUMEROUS STUDENTS WERE DEEMED WINNERS OF SAE GRANTS. LILY WILEY WAS NAMED A NATIONAL WINNER AND WILL RECEIVE $1,000 TO SUPPORT HER SAE PROGRAM. ADDITIONALLY, CHARLES BLACK, ADY GATTON, AND CALEB MERRICK WERE RECOGNIZED AS STATE WINNERS AND WILL EACH RECEIVE $500 TO SUPPORT THEIR SAE PROGRAMS. THE NATIONAL SAE GRANT PROGRAM IS FUNDED BY INDUSTRY AND IS ADMINISTERED BY THE NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION.

ADDITIONALLY, STUDENTS ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON THEIR STAR FORMS, SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS, AND OFFICER APPLICATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2026 LABETTE COUNTY FFA CHAPTER BANQUET.

CLASSROOM

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION—MR. WILEY

FRESHMAN CLASSES: SEED IDENTIFICATION
SOPHOMORE CLASSES: EMPLOYMENT SKILLS
JUNIOR/SENIOR CLASSES: AGRONOMY



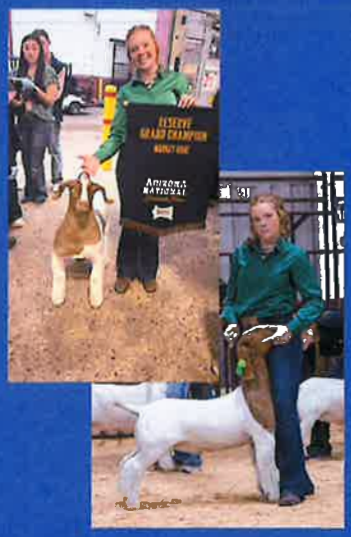
Students worked hard to remove a downed tree and repair the fence between the school farm and Mr. Frazier's property.

Mr. Zwahlen

Mr. Z's Classroom

Animal Science Classes - Livestock Anatomy and Identification

Intro. to Ag (1st Year classes) - Beef Cattle Breeds Unit



The past couple of months Jaci Falkenstien has shown Goats at Arizona Nationals in Phoenix and the National Western Stock Show in Denver. She has done an amazing job.

At Arizona Nationals she exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Market Wether.

At the NWSS she was named Champion Senior Showmen! She was also awarded with Reserve in the Light and Heavy Weight Market Goat Divisions.

To top things off for her exemplary Show Career ,she was nominated for the Best of the Barns Award and won the Market Doe of the Year Award!





Students cleaning up after a dead tree came down on the fence between Mr. Frazier and the School Farm

LC Fine Arts Review

January 2026

LCHS Choirs



On January 29, Bella Voce performed for the KAY Club Conference, hosted by Mrs. Lisa Chapman and LCHS. The young ladies in Bella Voce were excited to perform for such a large group of other young people from Southeast Kansas. A big thanks goes out to Mrs. Chapman for the invitation to sing.



The students of all LCHS Choirs are working to prepare for their upcoming grade school music tour February 11 and for KSHSAA Music Fesitvals in the spring.

Arts Cont.....

January was off to a fast start, with a home basketball game on the first day of school! We started working on concert music for the semester, as well as picked solos and ensembles for competition.











Photos by Megan Gabehart and Shawna Terrell

LC Theatre Brings Home Gold

Wilson Tabbed Region 5 Teacher of Year at KS Thes Fest





Qualify for Nationals

Twelve students qualify for competition at nationals in Bloomington, Indiana in June with performance of their Thespys; several in more than one event! Hadley Graves and Lily Gilreath in solo music theatre, Jacob Haraughty and Reagen Thompson, Hadley Graves and Isabel Workman in duet performance. Mikaela Carson, Jaden Geiger, Lily Gilreath, Aidan Gibbs, Jacob Haraughty, Victor Howell, Kayleigh Johnson, Hunter Myers, Reagen Thompson, Karly Waun, and Isabel Workman in ensemble acting with a performance of a scene from the classic play, *The Crucible.*



Lobby Display Results

Our Thespian troupe received 2nd place in the coveted Lobby Display competition with the theme, *"Tell Your Story"*

Gold Troupe

Labette County High School was awarded *Gold Troupe Status* which is the highest award a troupe can receive. Ratings are given to troupe based on school and community service, advocacy and quality of productions!

Arts Cont.....

Beginning 2D/3D

To encourage students to think outside of the box creatively they are asked to draw 4 cards from a special deck of cards that consist of a creature, its habitat, and 2 supporting details. They could end up with a grandma Lion ninja in your kitchen. Students were asked to watercolor or sculpt what their cards show. This results in sort of a surrealist style piece of art work.



Photography

Photography students are focusing on the use of perspective and composition in their forced perspective assignment. This shows their understanding of their techniques and demonstration done in class. it also helps to develop their communications skills by directing their subjects to move and adjust when asked.



Advanced 2D

Advanced 2D students are working on 5 point perspective which is a challenging composition because it requires five different vanishing points. This results in a fish eye view.



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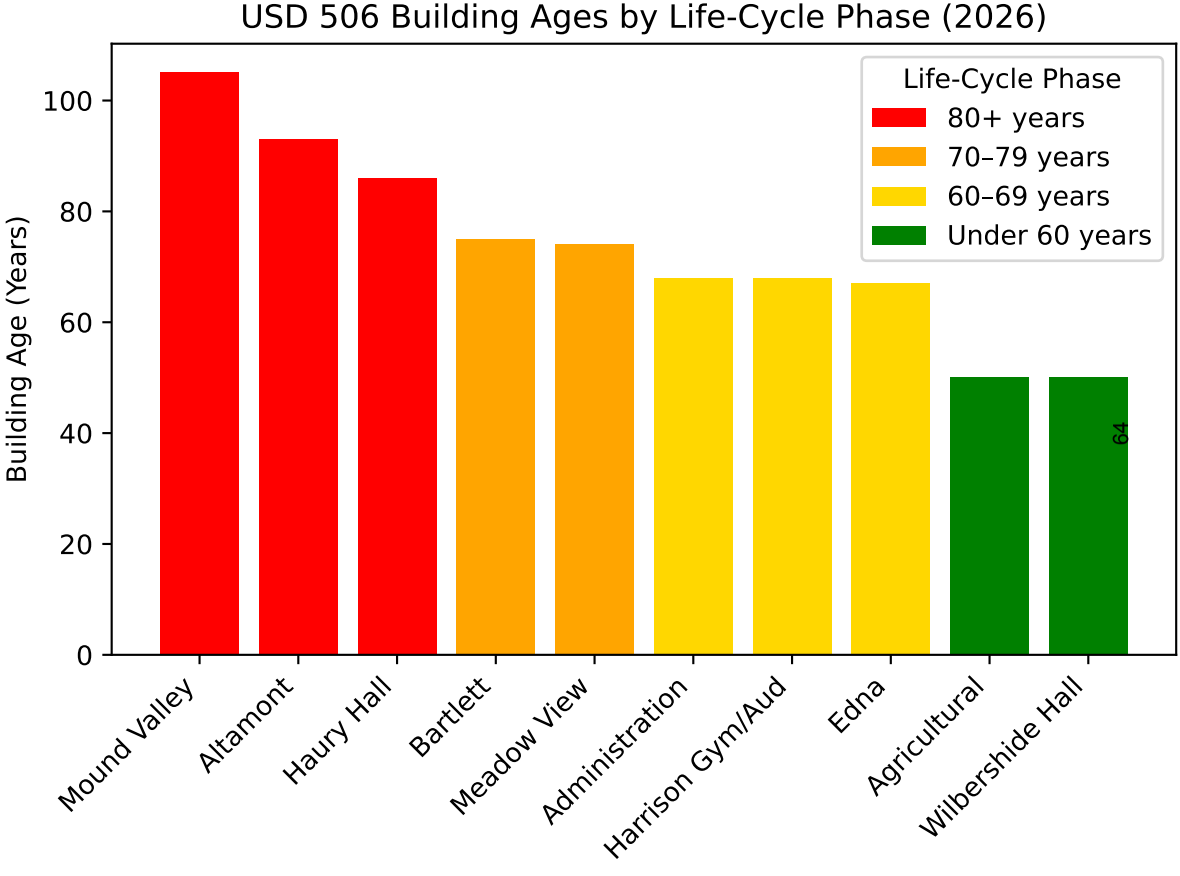
FROM: Shane Holtzman

DATE: February 9, 2026

SUBJECT: Policy Change Recommendations

Approval of BOE Policies: On January 12, 2026, BOE members were presented with the first readings of new and revised policies recommended by KASB. The second reading will occur during our February Board Meeting, where board members will be asked to approve these policies.

Revision	**BCBK**	**Executive Session**
Revision	**BG**	**Membership KASB/NSBA**
Revision	**IHF**	**Graduation Requirements**
Revision	**IKB**	**Controversial Issues**
Revision	**IKCA**	**Human Sexuality Education**
Revision	**IKD**	**Religion in Curricular or School Sponsored Activities**
Revision	**IKDA**	**Activity Participation Opt-Out Form**
Revision	**IKDA**	**Religious Objections to Activities**
Revision	**JBCC**	**Enrollment of Nonresident Students**
Revision	**JCAC**	**Interrogation and Investigation**
Revision	**JDDC**	**Bullying Plan (Form)**
Revision	**JQI**	**Adult Students**
Revision	**KM**	**Visitors to the School**


USD 506 Building Ages by Life-Cycle Phase (2026)
Building Age (Years)
0
20
40
60
80
100
Life-Cycle Phase
80+ years
70–79 years
60–69 years
Under 60 years
64
Mound Valley
Altamont
Haury Hall
Bartlett
Meadow View
Administration
Harrison Gym/Aud
Edna
Agricultural
Wilbershide Hall

USD 506 School Buildings: Age Summary

Facility Construction Year and Current Age

Building	Year Built	Current Age
Altamont School	1933	93
Bartlett School	1951	75
Edna School	1959	67
Meadow View School	1952	74
Mound Valley School	1921	105
Administration Building	1958	68
Haury Hall (Old Gym)	1940	86
Harrison Gymnasium/Auditorium	1958	68
Agricultural Building	1976	50
Wilbershide Hall (Auto Mechanics)	1976	50

Key Takeaway: Many USD 506 facilities are now 50–105 years old, reinforcing the importance of proactive long-term facility planning.

USD 506 – Labette County

February bills and financial reports
Total Bills:

Presented February 9, 2026, for Board Approval

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Check Number	Check Date	Cleared	Void	Void Date	Entity ID	Entity Name	Check Amount
4548	01/16/2026				ADVANCEINS	ADVANCE INSURANCE CO OF KANSAS	256.26
4549	01/16/2026				BAYBRIDGEA	BAY BRIDGE ADMINISTRATORS LLC	28.01
4550	01/16/2026				COFFEYVIL4	COFFEYVILLE FEED & FARM	459.80
4551	01/16/2026				CURIOUSMIN	CURIOUS MINDS DISCOVERY ZONE	180.00
4552	01/16/2026				DELTADENTA	DELTA DENTAL OF KANSAS	777.00
4553	01/16/2026				DOLLARGENE	DOLLAR GENERAL-REGIONS 410526	271.65
4554	01/16/2026				DURBINDRYW	ANDREW DURBIN	7,319.30
4555	01/16/2026				FOURSTATEM	FOUR STATE MAINT SUPPLY	663.89
4556	01/16/2026				GREENBUSH	GREENBUSH	785.00
4557	01/16/2026				JWPEPPER	J W PEPPER	60.00
4558	01/16/2026				KATEGARNES	Kate Garnes LLC	1,500.00
4559	01/16/2026				KYLERENNIE	KYLE RENNIE	60.00
4560	01/16/2026				MCCARTYOFF	MCCARTY OFFICE MACHINES	399.00
4561	01/16/2026				PARFORMSCO	PAR FORMS CORPORATION	194.00
4562	01/16/2026				PITTSBURG1	PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY	125.00
4563	01/16/2026				SKILLSUSAK	SkillsUSA Kansas	255.00
4564	01/16/2026				STRINGERCI	STRINGER CINDY	74.09
4565	01/16/2026				TLCNURSERY	TLC NURSERY & OUTDOOR LIVING	10,515.74
4566	01/16/2026				VISIONSERV	VISION SERVICE PLAN	152.20
4567	01/16/2026				WOODRIVERE	WOODRIVER ENERGY LLC	2,958.90
4568	01/20/2026				BARRAGARBR	BARRAGAR, BRENT	800.00
4569	01/20/2026				NAPAAUTOPA	NAPA AUTO PARTS	154.70
4570	01/20/2026				POMPSTIRES	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	290.46
4571	01/20/2026				SEKREGIONA	SEK REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION	2,500.00
4572	01/20/2026				TREVIPAY	TreviPay	167.43
4573	01/22/2026				BLUECROSS1	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	4,750.00
4574	01/22/2026				CRAWKANTEL	CRAW KAN TELEPHONE COOP	5,885.94
4575	01/22/2026				FOLLETTCON	FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS, LLC	184.89
4576	01/22/2026				GWPHOTOGRA	G.W. PHOTOGRAPHY	175.00
4577	01/22/2026				KANSASGASS	KANSAS GAS SERVICE	355.11
4578	01/22/2026				LABETTEAVE	LABETTE AVENUE	288.00
4579	01/22/2026				LABETTEHE1	LABETTE HEALTH	181.00
4580	01/22/2026				SEKINTERLO	SEK INTERLOCAL #637	370,795.00
4581	01/22/2026				VERIZONWIR	VERIZON WIRELESS	2,234.70
4582	01/22/2026				VISIONSERV	VISION SERVICE PLAN	171.20
4583	01/30/2026				USD506ACTI	USD 506 ACTIVITY	1,850.32
4585	02/05/2026				HAGGARDSDR	HAGGARD'S DRYWALL	7,993.52
4586	02/05/2026				5STARFOODE	5 STAR FOOD EQUIPMENT	2,338.67
4587	02/05/2026				5HDOORS	Matthew Harrison	354.50
4588	02/05/2026				ATOZTHEATR	A TO Z THEATRICAL	2,067.50
4589	02/05/2026				ABHEATAIR	AARON BARRAGAR	635.85
4590	02/05/2026				ALLISONLIS	ALLISON LISA	867.00
4591	02/05/2026				ALTAMONTBU	ALTAMONT BUILDER'S SUPPLY LLC	2,899.87
4592	02/05/2026				AMAZONCAPI	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	2,842.83
4593	02/05/2026				AMAZONCAPI	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	4,120.89
4594	02/05/2026				ATMOSENERG	ATMOS ENERGY	1,156.19
4595	02/05/2026				BLWATERWOR	B & L WATERWORKS SUPPLY, LLC	70.85
4596	02/05/2026				BALDWINKAT	BALDWIN KATHRYN	580.00
4597	02/05/2026				BARTLETTCO	BARTLETT CO-OP	1,644.87
4598	02/05/2026				BARTLETTCO	BARTLETT CO-OP	23,952.25
4599	02/05/2026				BAUGHEREQU	BAUGHER EQUIPMENT INC.	384.20
4600	02/05/2026				BILLSMOWER	Bill's Mower & More	520.17
4601	02/05/2026				BLACKAMAN	AMANDA BLACKBURN	200.00
4602	02/05/2026				BLICKARTMA	BLICK ART MATERIALS	698.71
4603	02/05/2026				CLSUPPLYHV	C & L SUPPLY HVAC & PLUMBING	379.82
4604	02/05/2026				CLSUPPLYIN	C & L Supply, Inc.	892.00
4605	02/05/2026				CITYOFALTA	CITY OF ALTAMONT	25,251.56
4606	02/05/2026				CITYOFALTA	CITY OF ALTAMONT	3,807.74
4607	02/05/2026				CITYOFEDNA	CITY OF EDNA	718.00

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4608	02/05/2026				CITYOFMOUN	CITY OF MOUND VALLEY	293.29
4609	02/05/2026				CITYOFPARS	CITY OF PARSONS	445.63
4610	02/05/2026				COFFEYVIL4	COFFEYVILLE FEED & FARM	300.00
4611	02/05/2026				COMMUNITYH	COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER OF SEK, INC.	250.00
4612	02/05/2026				DANIELSDEN	DANIELS DENA	40.04
4613	02/05/2026				DEANNICOLE	Nicole Dean	117.15
4614	02/05/2026				DOYLEGLASS	DOYLE GLASS CO.	1,883.39
4615	02/05/2026				EASYWAYSAF	EASY WAY SAFETY SERVICES	789.64
4616	02/05/2026				ELECTROLIF	ELECTROLIFE BATTERY COMPANY	199.20
4617	02/05/2026				EPMINC	EPM INC	3,931.80
4618	02/05/2026				EVCOWHOLES	EVCO WHOLESALE FOOD CORP.	27,742.82
4619	02/05/2026				EVCOWHOLES	EVCO WHOLESALE FOOD CORP.	20,730.13
4620	02/05/2026				EVERGY	EVERGY	12,481.67
4621	02/05/2026				FOURSTATEM	FOUR STATE MAINT SUPPLY	154.48
4622	02/05/2026				HILANDDAIR	HILAND DAIRY	3,207.86
4623	02/05/2026				HILANDDAIR	HILAND DAIRY	4,347.94
4624	02/05/2026				HILANDDAIR	HILAND DAIRY	4,638.95
4625	02/05/2026				HUGOSINDUS	HUGO'S INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, INC	6,981.32
4626	02/05/2026				HYFLOEQUIP	HY-FLO EQUIPMENT	123.50
4627	02/05/2026				JWPEPPER	J W PEPPER	120.48
4628	02/05/2026				JONESCHARL	JONES CHARLES D COMPANY., INC	2,518.35
4629	02/05/2026				KANSASDRUG	KANSAS DRUG TESTING INC.	371.00
4630	02/05/2026				KANSASMUS1	KANSAS MUSIC EDUCATORS	150.00
4631	02/05/2026				KARCHERNOR	KARCHER NORTH AMERICA	826.99
4632	02/05/2026				LABETTEHAR	LABETTE HARDWARE	1,229.07
4633	02/05/2026				LABETTEHAR	LABETTE HARDWARE	570.08
4634	02/05/2026				LABETTEHE1	LABETTE HEALTH	875.00
4635	02/05/2026				LACEYBLAKE	LACEY, BLAKE	252.99
4636	02/05/2026				LAWSONPROD	LAWSON PRODUCTS	1,451.67
4637	02/05/2026				LEAKEJACK	JACK LEAKE Jr	52.00
4638	02/05/2026				MARMICFIRE	MARMIC FIRE & SAFETY CO., INC.	1,860.25
4639	02/05/2026				MARRONESIN	MARRONE'S INC	10,608.79
4640	02/05/2026				MARRONESIN	MARRONE'S INC	6,469.53
4641	02/05/2026				MARRONESIN	MARRONE'S INC	3,368.42
4642	02/05/2026				MCANANYVAN	MCANANY VAN CLEAVE & PHILLIPS P.A.	292.50
4643	02/05/2026				MCCARTYOFF	MCCARTY OFFICE MACHINES	1,026.60
4644	02/05/2026				MCMASTERCA	MCMASTER-CARR	1,712.79
4645	02/05/2026				MIDASWICHI	MIDAS WICHITA OLD TOWN, LLC	2,229.72
4646	02/05/2026				MIDWESTBUS	MIDWEST BUS SALES INC	227.59
4647	02/05/2026				MIDWESTMIN	MIDWEST MINERALS INC	76.23
4648	02/05/2026				MIDWESTTR1	MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIPMENT	237.61
4649	02/05/2026				MIKECARPI1	MIKE CARPINO FORD	197.76
4650	02/05/2026				NAPAAUTOPA	NAPA AUTO PARTS	1,192.27
4651	02/05/2026				NAPAAUTOPA	NAPA AUTO PARTS	216.43
4652	02/05/2026				NASHJESSIC	Jessica Nash	21.21
4653	02/05/2026				NATIONALSC	NATIONAL SCREENING BUREAU	205.00
4654	02/05/2026				NEWTONSTRU	NEWTON'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	555.88
4655	02/05/2026				NORMAHOLL	HOLLY NORMAN	200.00
4656	02/05/2026				OREILLYAUT	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	122.07
4657	02/05/2026				OZARKSCOCA	OZARKS COCA COLA	137.22
4658	02/05/2026				PALENMUSIC	PALEN MUSIC CENTER	71.40
4659	02/05/2026				PEAKDONNY	PEAK, DONNY	154.26
4660	02/05/2026				PITNEYBOWE	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES L	210.84
4661	02/05/2026				POMPSTIRES	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	402.26
4662	02/05/2026				PORKYSLLC	PORKYS LLC	151.70
4663	02/05/2026				PRAIRIEFIR	PRAIRIEFIRE COFFEE ROASTERS	137.80
4664	02/05/2026				PRINTEDSOL	Printed Solid Inc	3,290.00
4665	02/05/2026				QUALITYTOY	QUALITY TOYOTA	352.89

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4666	02/05/2026				RETAILERSS	RETAILERS' SALES TAX	180.08
4667	02/05/2026				REXWINKLE1	REXWINKLE LUMBER	7.99
4668	02/05/2026				RUCKERCIND	RUCKER CINDY	122.98
4669	02/05/2026				RUSHTRUCKC	RUSH TRUCK CENTER, JOPLIN	4,317.53
4670	02/05/2026				RYALS	JAMES RYALS	175.00
4671	02/05/2026				SSACTIVEWE	S & S ACTIVEWEAR, LLC	343.63
4672	02/05/2026				SEKEDUCATI	SEK EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER	140.00
4673	02/05/2026				SEKSANITAT	SEK SANITATION SERVICES, LLC	235.00
4674	02/05/2026				SHERWINWIL	SHERWIN WILLIAMS	928.34
4675	02/05/2026				SMARTSOFTW	SMART Technologies Corporation	590.00
4676	02/05/2026				SORRELL	Elsie Sorrell	500.00
4677	02/05/2026				SOUTHEASTK	SOUTHEAST KMEA	75.00
4678	02/05/2026				SUNBELTREN	SUNBELT RENTALS	395.92
4679	02/05/2026				THOMPSONBR	THOMPSON BROS	93.00
4680	02/05/2026				TIMSSHOP	TIM'S SHOP	108.45
4681	02/05/2026				TRAXSOMICH	TRAXSON, MICHELLE	163.80
4682	02/05/2026				TREVIPAY	TreviPay	530.79
4683	02/05/2026				UNIFIRSTCO	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	1,699.17
4684	02/05/2026				UNIFIRSTCO	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	1,000.40
4685	02/05/2026				USD506ACTI	USD 506 ACTIVITY	144.00
4686	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	1,292.11
4687	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	504.82
4688	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	65.50
4689	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	108.00
4690	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	450.77
4691	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	140.52
4692	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	1,245.80
4693	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	46.04
4694	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	1,854.40
4695	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	179.10
4696	02/05/2026				VISA	VISA	323.00
4697	02/05/2026				ACEHARDWAR	WESTLAKE ACE HARDWARE	544.67
4698	02/05/2026				WOLFOPAM	PAM WOLFORD	870.00
4699	02/05/2026				WRAYROOFIN	WRAY ROOFING	1,275.00

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	Grand Total:	Void Total:	0.00	Total without Voids:	655,651.85

Petty Cash Report

January 31, 2026

Beginning Balance	Debits	Credits	Balance
$566.96	$0.00	$433.04	$1000.00

Checks

Check #	Amount	Purpose

Labette County USD 506
02/02/2026 10:28 AM
Fund: 01 HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

Activity Fund Balance Report - Summary - Include Encumbrances
07/2025 - 01/2026

Chart of Account Number	Chart of Account Description	Beginning Balance	Expenses	Revenues	Outstanding AP	Outstanding PO	Balance Change	Balance
01 720 710	YEARBOOK	9,610.95	10,913.76	5,890.42	0.00	1.00	0.00	4,586.61
01 720 711	LCHS GATE RECEIPTS/ATHLETIC EX	15,555.98	76,680.57	104,534.96	0.00	1,119.51	0.00	42,290.86
01 720 712	ART CLUB	623.21	954.08	1,230.00	0.00	56.45	0.00	842.68
01 720 713	BAND	1,351.84	820.53	687.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,218.31
01 720 714	CHESS CLUB	787.27	979.51	693.50	0.00	85.94	0.00	415.32
01 720 715	SOFTBALL	2,050.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,050.43
01 720 716	F.B.L.A	269.77	728.99	1,540.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,081.28
01 720 717	FELLOWSHIP CHRISTIAN ATHLETES	1,215.99	600.00	469.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,084.99
01 720 718	FFA	21,128.15	34,416.11	27,307.15	0.00	532.43	0.00	13,484.76
01 720 719	FCCLA	27.91	1,813.55	2,438.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	652.40
01 720 720	LC COLOR GUARD	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.87
01 720 722	Grizzly Care	1,644.34	2,975.74	3,125.96	0.00	355.66	0.00	1,438.92
01 720 723	The Grizzly Grind	2,802.28	13,096.94	17,892.70	0.00	3,134.65	0.00	4,463.39
01 720 724	L-CLUB	34.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.00
01 720 725	GLOBAL EXPEDITIONS	420.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.32
01 720 726	LIBRARY CLUB	10,478.49	14,127.79	15,519.49	0.00	2,981.16	0.00	8,889.03
01 720 727	MUSIC CHORUS	1,433.23	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,633.23
01 720 728	HOSA/HEALTH SCIENCE	2,123.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,123.96
01 720 730	SADD	416.65	50.65	584.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	950.00
01 720 732	MATH CLUB	334.10	462.50	434.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	306.36
01 720 733	GIRLS SWIM TEAM	2.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.99
01 720 734	FOOTBALL MEALS	675.00	909.97	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.03
01 720 735	LCHS FOOTBALL	2,620.19	1,301.61	2,795.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,113.58
01 720 736	TRI M	519.89	0.00	803.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,322.89
01 720 739	LC CHEERLEADERS	4,202.27	7,670.00	3,421.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(46.73)
01 720 740	STUDENT COUNCIL	2,024.67	1,305.93	631.58	0.00	24.50	0.00	1,325.82
01 720 741	MOONBUGGY/WOOD TECH	3,954.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,954.00
01 720 742	TEACHER'S ACTIVITY	2,316.94	503.25	720.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,533.69
01 720 744	SKILLS	8,139.07	2,850.00	780.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,069.07
01 720 745	LC TENNIS	6.59	1,105.00	1,135.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.79
01 720 746	KAYS	1,517.82	748.00	603.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,372.82
01 720 747	LC BOY/GIRL BASKETBALL	0.00	2,643.10	2,639.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	(3.15)
01 720 749	INTRNL THESPIAN	12,111.20	16,560.98	22,552.19	0.00	821.11	0.00	17,281.30
01 720 750	HONOR SOCIETY	852.94	48.92	510.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,314.02
01 720 752	BOYS WRESTLING	30.71	0.00	250.00	0.00	93.89	0.00	186.82
01 720 753	GIRLS WRESTLING	810.10	489.27	1,389.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,710.10
01 720 754	LCHS DANCE TEAM	2,879.46	3,225.40	4,310.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,965.01
01 720 755	Science Club	864.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	864.31
01 720 758	LC BASEBALL FUNDRAISING	3,668.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,668.28
01 720 759	LCHS REIMBURSEMENTS	2,070.37	3,238.07	4,125.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,957.31

Fund: 01 HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

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01 720 760	PROM	3,736.37	733.60	1,708.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,711.20
01 720 761	LC GOLF FUNDRAISING	911.04	69.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	841.05
01 720 762	RACHELS CHALLENGE	480.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	480.32
01 720 763	LIFE SKILLS	736.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	736.14
01 720 764	PEP CLUB	328.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	328.74
01 720 766	LC FDRAISING DONATIONS	1,450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,450.00
01 720 769	VOLLEYBALL FUNDRAISING	342.34	2,063.80	1,975.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	253.83
01 720 771	JH GATE	2,132.10	14,920.00	14,153.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,365.51
01 730	UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	473.77	12,868.97	14,907.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,511.89
	Fund Total: 01	132,167.36	231,878.58	262,257.87	0.00	9,206.30	0.00	153,340.35

Processing Month	Checking Account ID	Statement Balance	Outstanding Total	Balance on Books	Cash Account Balance	Difference
01/2026	101GENERAL	6,275,330.30	(481,063.96)	5,794,266.34	5,794,266.34	0.00
01/2026	102CD	3,000,000.00	0.00	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.00
01/2026	105CAFETER	32,878.78	0.00	32,878.78	32,878.78	0.00
	Total:	9,308,209.08	(481,063.96)	8,827,145.12	8,827,145.12	0.00

Appendix D: Sample Motions for Executive Session

Mr. President, I move we go into executive session to [fill in subject(s)] pursuant to [fill in justification], and the open meeting will resume in the board room at [fill in time].

SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED (Provide a brief description of what subject will be discussed while still protecting important privacy interest)	JUSTIFICATION
Example: discuss an individual employee's performance	non-elected personnel exception under KOMA
Example 1: discuss confidential student information **Example 2:** hold a student discipline appeal hearing	the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA
Example: discuss coding mechanisms Powerschool uses to secure student data with Powerschool representatives	the exception for data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships under KOMA
Example: discuss potential litigation with our legal counsel	the exception for matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under KOMA
Example: discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate from the teachers	the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA
Example: discuss potential properties for a new middle school site	the exception for preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real property under KOMA
Example 1: discuss the high school crisis plan **Example 2:** discuss the exact placement of security cameras and alarms throughout the buildings	the exception under KOMA for school security matters to ensure the security of the school, its buildings and/or its systems is not jeopardized

Labette County Schools

2025-2026 District Calendar

LABETTE COUNTY SCHOOLS

2025

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SEPTEMBER

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OCTOBER

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2026

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- Enrollment
- 1/2 Day for Students
- Beginning/End of School Year
- No School In-Lieu of P/T Conferences
- End of Quarter
- No School - Holiday
- Teacher Work Day
- Staff Development
- Elementary Parent/Teach Conferences
- LCHS Academic Work Sessions
- LCHS Freshmen Orientation Night

	Students	Teachers
Students in Class	167.5	167.5
P/T Conferences	2.0	2.0
Staff Development	2.75	5.5
Work Days	0	4.0
Totals	75 172.25	179

August

4-5	Elementary Enrollment
4-6	High School Enrollment
15/18	Staff Development
19	Work Day
20	Half Day of School for K-9/ (0.5) Work Day
21	Full Day of School PreK-12

September

1	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL

October

14/16	Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences
22	LCHS Academic Work Session
17	End of 1st Quarter (41 Days) School(0.5)/Work Day(0.5)

November

3	Staff Development
5/12	LCHS Academic Work Sessions
24	No School (In Lieu of P/T Conferences)
25-30	Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL

December

3	LCHS Academic Work Sessions
18	End of 2nd Quarter (38 Days) End of 1st Semester (79 Days)
19-31	Christmas Break - NO SCHOOL

January

1-2	Christmas Break - NO SCHOOL
5	Staff Dev(0.5)/Work Day(0.5)
19	MLK Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL

February

9	Staff Development
17/19	Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences

March

9/10	LCHS Freshmen Orientation
13	End of 3rd Quarter (46.5 Days) - School (0.5)/Work Day (0.5)
16-20	Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April

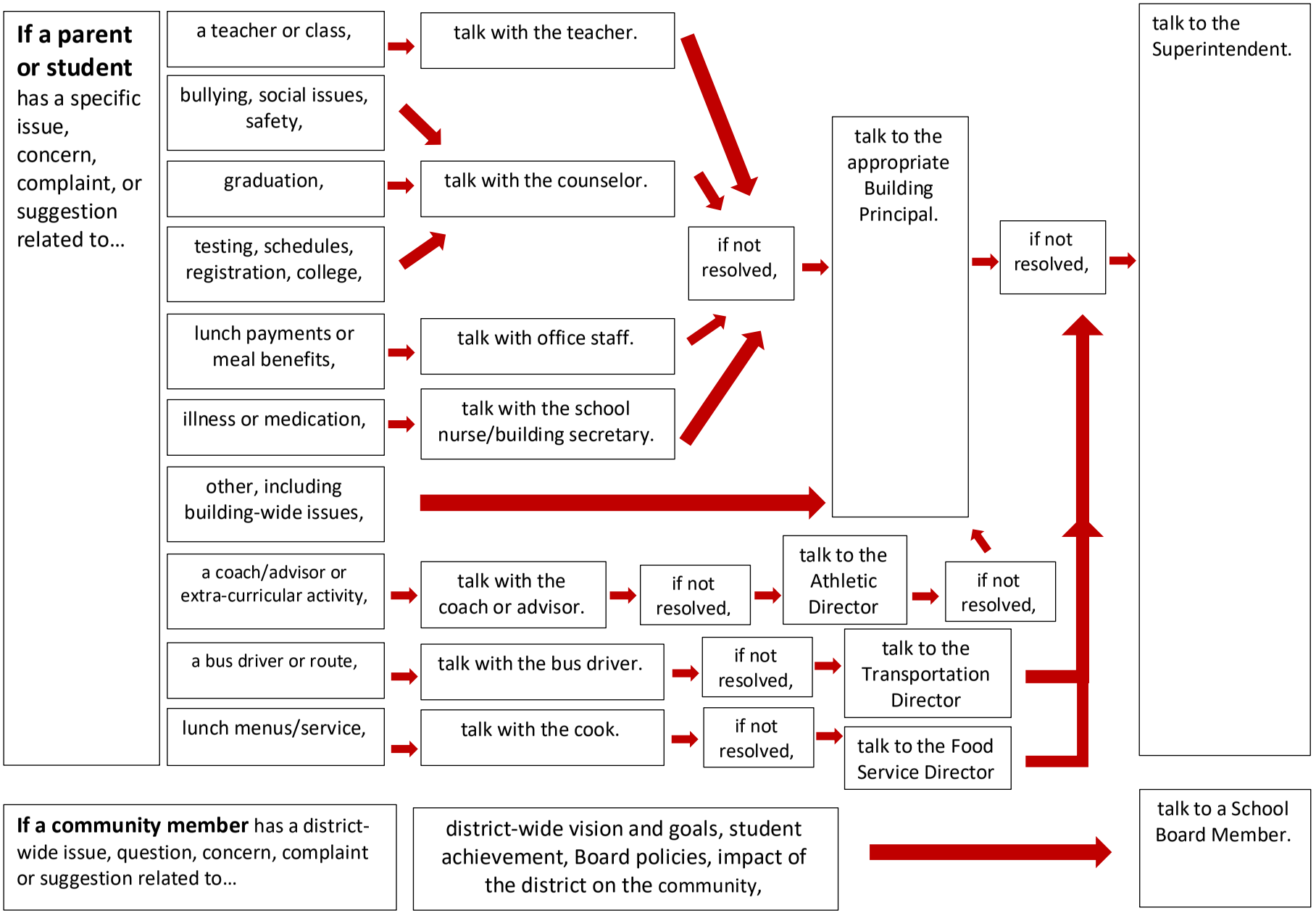
3	No School (In Lieu of P/T Conf.)
6	Staff Development

May

21	End of 4th Qtr (42 Days) End of 2nd Semester (88.5 Days) - Last Full Day of School PreK-11
22	Work Day

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Communication Flow Chart for Handling Parent, Student or Community Member Issues



506 Strategic Plan

It is the Mission of USD 506 to provide a supportive and engaging learning environment, grounded in strong relationships and community involvement, where all students belong and are equipped for future success through continuous growth and accountability.

Core Values: Integrity • Relationships • Growth

Our Vision: Future-focused • Engaged • Supportive

Enhanced Student Opportunities



Goal: Enhance Curriculum & Career Readiness

- Objective: Expand CTE and career exploration opportunities starting in early grades, including partnerships with area post-secondary schools.
- Objective: Broaden and deepen K-8 curriculum offerings to include STEM, the arts, global awareness, and critical thinking skills.

Goal: Prioritize Student Well-Being

- Objective: Ensure equitable access to programs and resources.
- Objective: Strengthen school-family-community partnerships that support academic, social, and emotional growth.
- Objective: Promote a safe, inclusive culture through mental health services, anti-bullying initiatives, and restorative practices.

Employee Retention & Development



Goal: Improve Employee Value & Support

- Objective: Attract and retain quality educators and employees by offering competitive compensation and benefits.
- Objective: Enhance teaching effectiveness by providing ongoing professional development in areas such as pedagogy, technology, mental health, and inclusive practices.
- Objective: Modify the schedule to allow for increased staff collaboration.
- Objective: Create support systems to address burnout by recognizing staff achievements and providing resources to maintain high morale and energy.

Community Engagement



Goal: Improve Communications

- Objective: Strengthen and streamline communication with parents, alumni, and the broader community through centralized tools and social media.
- Objective: Increase transparency and promote community involvement by highlighting opportunities for engagement and collaboration.
- Objective: Share district achievements and opportunities.

Goal: Build Community Partnerships

- Objective: Strengthen ties with local businesses and organizations to enhance student learning and career preparation.
- Objective: Create more community events and invite businesses personally to increase involvement and awareness.

Infrastructure & Facilities



Goal: Modernize Facilities & Resources

- Objective: Prioritize the maintenance and safety of aging facilities to ensure secure and effective learning environments.
- Objective: Evaluate and pursue sustainable funding strategies to support facility improvements that reflect long-term district and community needs.
- Objective: Conduct a comprehensive demographic study and engage district and community stakeholders to develop a fiscally responsible, long-term facilities plan.
- Objective: Expand and enhance digital tools and infrastructure to support innovative, tech-enabled teaching and learning.

Believe

What does the Board consider to be the core "**beliefs**" of the district?

- High quality employees
- Public support
- Great tradition; eye for future
- K-8 structure good for kids
- Get $ College Career Ready
- Whole Child-educate (Social Emotional)
- Safe Schools-open communication
- Children future
- Team students well
- All students can learn and be better when they leave us
- Meet needs at their level
- Students feel valued, safe, secure
- Value all staff, students
- Think outside the box
- Treat others with respect
- Being uncomfortable is not a bad thing
- Students learn from their mistakes
- Servant Leaders
- Retaining quality teachers

Know

What does the Board "**know**" are the existing needs of the district?

- Test score does not define a child
- Data drives decisions
- False transparency
- Social media
- Change what defines success
- Increase out of district students
- Be unified
- Trauma Informed!
- Change is hard
- Open communication/increase buy-in for capital needs
- Different needs
- Set amount of resources
- Technology is driving decisions
- Shortage of teachers
- Building trust
- Time

Want

What does the Board "**want**" to include as goals for the district?

- College and Career Ready
- Facilities Updated/Transportation
- Community Engagement
- Safe and Secure Building
- Intrinsic motivation
- Social Needs (Full support)
- Graduation Day – Had Best Education Possible
- Resources to Teach
- All children learn in their way
- Parents Engaged/Value them
- Positive Involvement
- More support staff/trained
- We are human
- Expand early childhood education
- Additional Admin. Facilities (Bartlett, Meadow View)
- Value driven-Be who we are!
- Promote 506
- Best CTE in State
- Learning Relevant
- Be the best!!
- Counselors, Social Workers
- Positive Involvement
- State to pay what they should

Do

What will the Board "**do**" to accomplish these goals?

- Use data to make decisions
- We tell the story
- Fiscal resources; admin support staff
- Bond issue (PR, marketing, alum)
- Parental Involvement
- Simplify, simplify
- Model support
- Enhance curriculum
- Rigorous curriculum
- Kid-drive; student-centered
- Promote 506 - Social Media
- CTE-Promote, support, expand
- Base decisions on what's best for students
- Facilities - proactive
- Educate parents S/E needs
- Process for high quality teachers
- Retain
- Develop plan for safe and secure environment