

# Cole County R-1 Schools NEWSLETTER

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# **Superintendent's Letter**

At the November board meeting. The board gave the go ahead for the Youth Football committee to start fundraising efforts for the start of Football as a school sponsored activity. The committee was given a goal of \$30,000 dollars to raise over the next several months. If the money is raised, it does not mean on that next day we begin playing. Current schedules will have to be changed to accommodate this fall sport. The addition of this activity will not jeopardize the others, the greatest change will be the moving of Jr. High Basketball to starting later in the school year. The addition of football does create some atmosphere and cultural changes within a school but most importantly within a community. There is truly an experience to Friday night lights. If you would like to donate to the Youth Football committee, you may contact me here a school and I will get you into touch with a committee member.

It is that time of year which the weather can be unpredictable. Just this past weekend a chance of flurries turned into a measurable amount of snow. With the winter months come the possibility of cancelling school. When school is cancelled or a late start is called for, every effort will be made to publicize as soon as possible. The first notice will be a textcaster sent out to all individuals who have signed up for this service. Then it will be sent to all forms of media in the surrounding area including the schools website and Facebook page. On the days of early release because of the weather, I encourage all parents to have a plan in place before that time comes. Hopefully our winter will be filled with snow only on Saturdays and gone by Monday.

As the Superintendent of the district, it is the responsibility of myself and the board of education to put in place a strategic plan for the district that takes in all facets of the district. In the near future, you will be receiving either an email or postcard with a link to a survey that will be conducted by the district to allow for community input on items you believe that we either need to improve upon or stay the same. Upon completing the survey, the data then will be tabulated to help in the planning of our district. If you as a community member would like to take part in the development of this plan, a place on the survey will allow for you to contact the district to have your name placed upon the list of possible participants. This strategic plan should outline the needs of the district for the next few years so that we

have a roadmap for our decision making.

I wish everyone the best these holidays to come and hope you take time to enjoy family and friends.

Sincerely,

Perry Gorrell,

Superintendent

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# **Board Report**

# School Board Report- October 15, 2015

Cole County R-1 Regular Board Meeting Newsletter Review

The Cole Co. R-1 School Board met in regular session on November 19th, 2015. The Board first heard reports from the administrators over each building. In unfinished business, an informational review of course offerings for the Nichols Career Center and the Eldon Career Center were discussed. Board policies were adopted or amended as presented during the October 15th board meeting. A proposal for the start of Football was presented at the October board meeting for discussion. It was determined that the Football youth committee would need to raise \$30,000 dollars before would become a school sponsored athletic program. Within this proposal, there are two option timelines. The start of football would be determined by the length of time need to raise the money. A motion was made and pasted to accept the proposal and giving the committee a goal to work towards. In new business. Superintendent Perry Gorrell presented an amended budget for the 2015-16 school year that outlines the schools budgetary needs for the school year. After a review of the items, the new budget was adopted. The board set board filing dates of December 15th- January 19th during normal business operating hours. Discussion was had on the possibility of installing new flooring in the Elementary Bathrooms. Plans were made to get bids to see about the cost to perform this project. A plan for conducting a community survey was presented by Mr. Gorrell and Debbie Malzner to start the strategic planning and CSIP planning for the district. This community survey will be distributed to the patrons of the district for completion and provide input. Technology director Cathy Trigg gave a review of the current technology in the district. She has been working with Morenet to do an assessment of our districts technology capabilities and to plan for future technology upgrades.

# **ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** RECITAL

Upcoming! Elementary Christmas Program 12/10/15. K-2 need to be in elementary cafeteria at 5:45 pm dressed nicely. 3-4 need to arrive and dress according to paper sent home with each mittee. We all had a blast! student. Piano Christmas Recital 12/14/15 at 6 pm. Students need to arrive at 5:45 pm dressed nicely.

### **RHS Multicultural Club**

Our mission is to promote student awareness and appreciation for diverse cultures and heritages by bringing international students and American students together to meet and to enjoy activities. For the 2015-2016 school year Russellville High School has two foreign exchange students. We have Patricia (Pat) Roca Hernandez de Armijo from Spain and Amos Barnabas from India attending our school. It is awesome to have them both with us!

On September 16, 2015 the RHS Multicultural Club conducted their first meeting for the school year. There are about 55 members that gathered in Señora Crews' classroom to eat dinner and discuss plans for the year. Part of the club's discussion was to make plans for the 3rd annual Halloween party.

On November 1, 2015 the Multicultural Club had their 3rd annual Halloween party. 23 club members, as well as, Señora Crews' two older

# (RHS Multicultural (Cont)

daughters attended. During the party club members enjoyed the food and drinks that were provided by everybody that attended. Also, the club enjoyed games put together by our Multicultural decorating/planning com-At the end of every year officers are elected for the new school year. This school year our

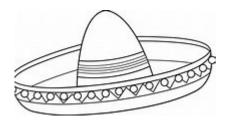
officers are: President - Bridget Brennecke Vice President - Stacia Schollmeyer Secretary - Therasia Brautigam Decoration/Planning Committee: Therasia Brautigam, Arika Jurgle, Whitney VanWechel, Rowan Basnett, Bridget Brennecke, Bailey Martin,

Tucker Bechtel

A special thanks go out to all who helped make our 3rd annual Multicultural party a success!

Now the officers, and others that want to join in, are planning a Christmas party before Christmas break. Stay tuned for some exciting news and pictures!

Señora Crews and the Multicultural Club



# SENIOR PICTURES

The yearbook is accepting photos of the seniors. Please send a wallet size photo of your senior that complies with our current dress code. Any senior not submitting a photo by Feb. 5th will have their school photo used. Also send in your senior's baby photo if you would like it in the yearbook. Baby photos must be no smaller than wallet size and MUST have the student's name written on the back.

#### **BAND NEWS**

On October 13th, two students from Russellville High School auditioned for the All Central District Band in Missouri. Brianna Smith, flute, and Faith Strutton, alto saxophone, both met with director of bands Mr. Gargus several times before the auditions at Camdenton High School, and made much improvement. Brianna Smith ended up earning 8th chair flute in the honor band. Congratulations to both of these young musicians for their efforts and musical development!

The Russellville High School Band has ended its marching season after two competitions, one each at the Versailles Apple Festival and the University Of Central Missouri Homecoming & Massed Bands in Warrensburg, Missouri. The band earned a second place finish in Versailles, and a fourth place finish in Warrensburg. At 28 strong, the band has come SO far from the first day of camp on July 20th of this year. Onward and upward to this year's concert and pep band performances, as well as next year's marching band!

# Announcements

# SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The Cole County R-1 School District will accept declarations of candidacy from any person interested in running for a position on the School Board in the April 5, 2016, election. Persons interested my file at the superintendent's offices located at 13600 Rt. C, Russellville, MO 65074.

Filing will begin on December 15, 2015, at 8:00 a.m. and will continue during the district's regular business hours, which are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Filing will not occur on days that the school district's offices are closed due to inclement weather. Filing will also not occur December 24, 2015 through January 1, 2016 when the school district's office is closed. Filing will end on January 19, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

There are 2 positions available with three-year terms

#### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Cole County R-1 School District needs Substitute Teachers.

Must have Substitute Certification through DESE. \$70.00 per day. You may apply online through the schools website @ http://coler.k12.mo.us questions, please contact the Superintendent's office at 573-782-3534

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# SOFTBALL NEWS

2nd Team All Region McKendra Fischer

Honorable Mention Brooke Kremer

CONGRATULATIONS LADIES !!!!

# **BAND/CHOIR CONCERT**

Monday, December 7, 2015

6:00 p.m.

Grades 6-12.



2016 Project Graduation— BRREAKFAST WITH SANTA



2016 Project Graduation fundraising is off and running for the seniors and their parents. Several events are happening in the next couple of months and the students would appreciate your support. Another event planned is the Breakfast with Santa in the HS Cafeteria, Saturday. Dec 5, from 6:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

While you are there, be sure to have your picture taken with Santa. Families are invited to bring the children to eat breakfast with Santa. The seniors will be serving pancakes, sausage, apple sauce, juice and milk..

You will take home on—4x6 photo with Santa for \$ 5.00. Children may also make an ornament craft for \$ 2.00 each. It's sure to be a fun morning for the children. More details to follow on future events on the school's Facebook page. Thank you for supporting our future graduates !



# MIDDLE SCHOOL 1ST QUARTER A HONOR ROLL

Barnett, Olivia Brennecke, Holly Coombs, Arianna Crossman, Samantha Edwards, Macie Ferry, Camryn Gilmore, Lydia Goldammer, Emily Hartman, Simon Henderson, Haleigh Heneisen, Walter Hickey, Braden Kauffman, Gabriella Kirchner, Natalie Loesch, Melanie Mehmer, Elizabeth Mehmert, Hannah Paull, Camryn Pavely, Whitney Plochberger, Landon Potts, Skylar Rademann, Ava Raithel, Ann Randolph, Paige Rector, Megan Schollmeyer, Leah Schrimpf, Allison Schroer, Joesph Schroer, Nolan Sheffield, Bethan Smith Gaven Stone, Sayden Stotts, Breanna Thompson, Lyndli Tyler, Allee Wilson, Arjay

# MIDDLE SCHOOL 1ST QUARTER B HONOR ROLL

Allen Brandon Amend, Hannah Basnet, Cooper Benne, Madalyn Brennecke, Heidi Brenner, Mason Brown, Malore

# Announcements

Carlson, Alexa Case, Ryleigh Christmann, Alexis Colter, Ryan Crocker, Megan Denniston, Michael Dobson, Bryson Gilpin, Thomas Graham, Nikolas Henderson, Hayden Hester, Austin Hiller, Brevyn Holsten, Dakota Jenkins, Reagan Jurgle, Tiffani Kauffman, Isaiah Kirchner, Ethan Koestner, Jahanna Kueffer, Hunter Laird, Kraylin Larimore, Cameron Little, Bagrial Lueckenotte, Collin Malzner, Hannah Metcalf, Alexandria Miller, Seth Mills, Connor Minor, Annie Morrow, Allison Morrow, Trenton Nichols, Campbell Padilla, Rachel Prenger, Trevor Scrivner, Spencer Shepherd, Brittany Smith, Hailee Smith, Kalyn Smith, Skyler Stubinger, Anna Volkart, Layne Waggoner, Landen Winelande, Dillion Zumwalt, Brandon

High School 1st Quarter Honor Roll

Backues, Claire Benne, Natalie Blanton, Brady Brandt, Lindsey

Brautigam, Therasia Case, Taylor Farris, Shawnee Fischer, McKendra Fisher, Caitlyn Fisher, Johnathan Fredrickson, Seth Garrison, Austin Harris, Allyson Hartman, Rayni Hernanadez De Armijo, Patricia Huff, Ethan Kirchner, Isaac Koestner, Anna Kramer, Emma Libbert, Cory Martin, Bailey Minor, Cory Oliver, Madison Randolph, Austin Robertson, Sydney Schollmeyer, Stacia Stewart, Mason Stoecker, Veronica Stubinger, Mikayla Thomas, Joseph VanWechel, Whitney Vaughn, James Voss, Tyler Walters, Colin Windsor, Olivia

# A & B Honor Roll

Arney, Crystal Barnett, Grace Barnhart, Jorden Basnett, Rowan Beanland, Zachary Bertucci, Anthoiny Brandt, Sara Brautigam, Nathan Brazzell, Lauren Brennecke, Bridget Briot, Megan Brockman, Jake Bryant, Beau Bubach, Abby Bungart, Madilyn Connell, Shanon Everts, Judson Ford, Katherine

Frank, Harrison Grellner, Chantz Hegerfeld, Dalyn Hill, Dustin Himmerick, Layne Jackson, Cole Johnson ReaGAN Jurgle Arika Keller, Jacob Kempker, Travis Kennedy, Adam Kirchner, Addie Kirchner, Kayne Kitchen, Karla Kueffer, Hayden Laird, Savannah Loesch, Mackenzie Lueckenotte, Blake Marcum, Riley Martin, Madelyn Matheis, Rebecca Matthews, Haliey Mehrhoff, Sidney Miller, Chandler Miller, Damian Miller, Victoria Monteer, Amber

# CONGRADULAITONS STUDENTS !

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# DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 1—FFA Meeting—Christmas Party

Dec 1-5 Boys/Girls Eugene Tournament

Dec 5 Project Graduation—Breakfast with Santa 6:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Dec 7—Dec 11—FFA Penny Wars

Dec 7–Band/Choir Christmas Concert

Dec 10—Elementary Christmas Concert—Pre K-2nd 6:00 p.m. and Graced 3-5 at 6:45 p.m.

Dec 14—Piano Concert 6:00 p.m.—EL/MS Cafeteria

Dec 15–Snow Make Up El Concert Cafeteria 6:00 p.m.

Dec 18—Early Dismissal—Christmas Break El/MS 12:20 and HS at 12:30 NO School December 21—January 4 Classes Resume Tuesday, January 5