SABETHA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Building Report May 2018 BOE Meeting

Field Trips:

- 1st Grade: On April 13, first graders traveled to Topeka to visit the Children's Discovery Center.
- 2nd Grade: On May 4th, 2nd graders visited to Marysville to visit the Pony Express Museum and the courthouse.
- 4th Grade: On May 8th, SES 4th graders traveled to Seneca to attend the Nemaha County Ag Festival.
- Kindergarten: On May 9th, kindergarten students and their teachers will be guests at the Topeka Zoo.

MTSS Implementation:

- Spring screening for Fastbridge assessments have concluded. Students completed screeners in the
 areas of reading and math. Teachers will complete the SAEBRS screener as well. This information will
 help us to review student progress and determine areas in which particular attention needs to be
 given.
- Mrs. Toedman has been meeting with grade-level teams to go over the proposed master schedule
 for the 2018-19 school year. Discussions have included the scheduling of math and reading
 schedules and the review of appropriate staffing.

Music Programs: The 1st grade music program was held Thursday, April 5th at 1:40 pm and 7:00 pm. The Kindergarten performed their first elementary program on Monday, April 16th at 12:45 pm and 7:00 pm. An addition to our music program schedule this year was a spring vocal and instrumental concert for 5th grade students. This program was held Friday, May 4th at 7:00 pm. Mrs. McGill and Mrs. Topp are to be commended for their work in preparing students for this performance as it was very entertaining.

5th **Grade Transition Meeting:** 5th grade students and parents attended a transition meeting at Sabetha Middle School on April 25th. Mrs. Dana Michael, SES/SMS counselor, and Principal Garber organized a program that communicated important information regarding future enrollment at the middle school. Topics included: curriculum bell schedules, technology usage, IPS program, social activities, etc. Students also spent time on this day observing the middle school environment. This included eating lunch in the building, hearing from Brook Brubeck about meal options, touring the building, viewing the locker rooms and completing a scavenger hunt.

Honor Flight Send Off: SES will be participating in a send-off for veteran Norm Ashcroft as he travels to Washington DC as a participant in an Honor Flight. This event is planned for 3:00 pm on Tuesday, May 15, 2018. Students and staff will line Bluejay Boulevard to wave goodbye to Mr. Ashcroft.

PreK End of Year Program: Both our morning and afternoon preschool sessions held a program for their parents and loved ones on May 2nd. Students performed eight individual songs/nursery rhymes/etc. that corresponded with the various units they studied within the Frog Street curriculum. Each child also received a certificate indicating their completion of preschool.



USD 113 Wellness Committee Sponsored Fun Run/Walk: The morning of Saturday, May 5, proved to be a wonderful opportunity to join with family and friends and participate in the 2 mile Fun Run/Walk. Approximately 70 individuals participated. A light breakfast was served afterward. Thank you to Brook Brubeck, Jann Drahota, and Julie Kuckelman for organizing this event.

2018 Field Day: SES has scheduled Friday, May 11, as our date for Field Day. Each student K-5 will participate in 4 different activities: a running event, a field event, a group game, and a fun relay station. The school will be split into a blue team and a white team for some friendly competition. As students compete in each of their activities, they are trying to earn points for their team. To add to the spirit of the day, Mrs. Kuckelman encourages students to wear a t-shirt that matches their team color. The K-2 session will be from 8:30-11:30 am. Grades 3-5 will participate from 12:00-3:00 pm.

5th **Grade National Parks Presentations**: On Tuesday, May 15 from 1:00-3:00 pm, fifth graders will present information regarding their assigned national park for fellow students and family members. In addition to researching, written correspondence with the site, and the composition of their presentation, students also created art work to symbolize their park. This project was overseen by Mrs. Plattner (ELA instructor) and Mrs. Hasenkamp (Art instructor).

SES Book Fair: Sabetha Elementary hosted our annual Book Fair the week of April 23-27. This was a successful event that provided students with the opportunity to pick up books to read over the summer. Parents, grandparents, and community members were encouraged to attend with students. Many additional books will be purchased for our library through this event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 9: Kindergarten Field Trip
May 11: SES Field Day
May 15: 5th Grade National Parks Presentations
May 17: End of 4th 9 Weeks/Grade Cards Sent Home