

Sabetha High School
Sheri Harmer
April 9, 2018, BOE Report

I would like to extend a special thanks to the following people:

- Mrs. Briana Evans for her leadership and support with administering the state assessments. Also, thank you to the staff who helped administer the state assessments, teach the 9th grade rotations, and supervise the students on the Wenger's tour.
- Community National Bank for providing breakfast to the seniors.
- Ms. Castillo and the KAY member volunteers for working outside to make our school look beautiful.
- Mrs. Kay Duncan for her leadership with the Cheerleading Tryouts. Congratulations to the 1819 Spirit Squad!
Seniors: Reggie Garrett, Ashten Halls, Abby Hinton
Juniors: Leah Deckinger, Erin Howard, Rachel Kramer, Mariah Russell, Kinley Schuette, Morgan Schuette
Sophomores: Khalea Bergman, Lauren Gatz, Bailey Hoffman, Haylee Kramer
Freshmen: Emma Schilling

1. State Assessment Schedule- [April 2 & 3](#)
2. Monday, April 2 - 1:00 - 3:25
 - i. Sophomores - ELA + Math
 - ii. Juniors - Science + HGSS
 - iii. Freshmen Rotations (Fluid Check, Change a Tire, Sew on Button, Simple Breakfast, Counting Money and Tying a Tie.)
 - iv. Seniors - Tour Wengers
- b. Tuesday, April 3 - 8:10 - 10:20
 - i. Sophomores - ELA + Math
 - ii. Juniors - Science + HGSS
 - iii. Freshmen - Tour Wengers
 - iv. Seniors - Breakfast + Graduation Information (Seniors will report at 9:00 in the varsity commons for the senior breakfast sponsored by Community National Bank. After the breakfast, they will go to the varsity gym for senior updates and a presentation on the importance of registering to vote.

Upcoming Events

- April 5 - BB/SB vs Perry @ Home - 4:30
- April 6 - Early Release
- April 7 - Regional Music
- April 9 - No School - Teacher Inservice
- April 9 - SHS Golf Invitational - 1:00
- April 10 -TR @ RV - 4:00
- April 12 - Golf @ NC - 1:00



- April 13 - Spring Play - 7:00 pm
- April 14 - ACT - 8:00 am
- April 4 - Spring Play - 7:00
- April 16 - BB/SB vs NC @ Home - 4:30
- April 16 - Golf Quad - 4:30 pm
- April 17 - TR @ J-Hts - 3:00
- April 19 - Performing Arts Night
- April 19 - State Music Large Group
- April 20 - SB @ Hia - 4:30
- April 20 - BB vs. Rossville @ Home - 4:30
- April 21 - Prom
- April 23 - BB/SB vs ACCHS @ Home - 4:30
- April 24 - TR Big 7 Quad @ Home - 4:30
- April 25 - Senior Clean-Up
- April 26 - Golf @ Rolling Meadows - 9:00
- April 26 - BB/SB @ JW - 4:30
- April 27 - Academic Recognition Event (Senior Awards & Scholarships + NHS Induction - We will have a light reception (cookies, punch & piano music) from 6:30PM-7:00PM in the SHS Commons. The recognition ceremony will begin at 7:00 PM.
- April 28 - State Music
- April 30 - BB vs SL @ Home - 4:30
- April 30 - SB @ SL - 4:30
- April 30 - Golf @ Holton - 4:30

Brian Cole - Physical Science, Chemistry, Physics, and Student Council

Physical Science - Students are studying about how the surface of the Earth changes. We have taken some time to explore the Dust Bowl and its local impact.

Chemistry - Students are taking a deeper look at the properties of the three main states of matter. We will spend considerable time in the weeks to come looking at the Gas Laws.

Physics - Students are working on a self-paced unit over thermodynamics and fluids. This is an experiment on my part by allowing them to work through the content at their individual pace. Overall students have been receptive. Those involved sports or activities that cause them to miss class time have really liked it as they don't feel like they are missing out on content by being gone.

Student Council - A team of five students will be attending the Washburn Leadership Challenge on April 5-6. Students attending are Shayna Strahm, Henry Glynn, Olivia Meyer, Gracie Robinson, and Sofia Kuenzi. A committee of council members under the direction of vice president Anna Cochenour have been making revision suggestions for the council constitution. The entire council will review and approve these changes and revisions in April. Anna has included both Mrs Harmer and Mr Glynn on these discussions of changes. Some additions being suggested to the constitution are an addition of election procedures for the council and king and queen voting which the council oversees. The procedures have never been written in any formal manner and have been done at the discretion of the advisor.

Connie Herbster- Art

Art 1 students have finished their final pencil drawings and have begun on handbuilt clay bowls. They will demonstrate the press pot technique and show knowledge of the properties and limitations of earthenware clay.

Art 2 students finished painting compositions of food items in the style of Pop artist Wayne Thiebaud. At the moment they are beginning projects of their choice. Some are working in groups to make large artworks others are making paintings, drawings, clay projects, sculptures and collages. They choose the



project, write up a plan of how to complete the lesson, and make a list of materials needed. Once the project is complete they will write an artist statement critiquing the artwork over the elements and principles of design.

Art 3 and 4 students are working on large scale paintings using acrylic, oils or watercolors. They have also been glazing their pottery.

Art Competitions and Exhibits-

The **Highland Community College Art contest** is coming up on April 26th. Each school can enter 30 artworks. Over 40 other schools will be participating this year. Last year Sabetha received 3rd place at the competition.

The **SHS Art and Woodworking exhibit** will be the evening of May 8th, from 5-7pm. Please come out and see the hard work and talents of our students.

The **Big 7 League Art Contest** will be held at Riverside High School on Thursday, May 10th from 3-6pm. Every school in the league is allowed to bring 60 artworks to the competition. Last year Sabetha art students brought home over 50 art awards!

Katie Topp - Band

Saturday April 7th is Regional Solo and Small Ensemble Festival at Benedictine College, so we are spending most of our time preparing for that. This is optional for band students, and it is student-led, but we've had quite a turn out this year. There are five ensembles and five soloists participating. We have a flute trio, woodwind trio, saxophone trio, trumpet trio, and percussion ensemble, and the soloists are Karrington Payne on marimba, Norea Menold on flute, Kaytlynn Bulk on alto sax, RheaEtta Laipple on clarinet, and Ainsley Smith on flute.

After regionals, we will return to preparing our State Large Group Festival music; the whole band participates in this performance at Atchison Middle School on Thursday April 19th. We read through many pieces of music back in January and February and chose two to perform for state large group. We have also chosen and begun rehearsing our music for our spring concert, which will be music from the movies.

Elizabeth Badertscher - Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1, Math Lab, Prom, MTSS

Pre-Algebra students are finishing up discussion on Algebraic Expressions and are getting ready to take their final quiz over the chapter.

Algebra 1 students are still working through their lessons in the self-pace model. They are given basic instructions at the start of the period and allowed time to work in any mode they're most comfortable with the rest of the class time. Many students are preparing to start Unit 8: Quadratic Expressions.

Math Lab students are focusing majority of their time on working through any questions they have on class assignments or lessons.

The Junior class is busily preparing for Prom, which is right around the corner! This year, the Junior Class is hosting an "Arabian Night" for the Junior & Senior classes on April 21, 2018, with dinner beginning at 6:30PM.

The Math and Reading Intervention groups are continuing working with Tier II and Tier III students throughout the Spring semester, twice a week. Each group is working through their own curriculum based on the students' needs and are Progress Monitoring as needed. This year has been a learning experience for both students and staff!

David Glynn- English II, Advanced Composition, Academic Resource

English II students are involved in a full text study of The Good Earth. As a part of their assessment, they are developing content related questions for their discussion group to participate in unique individual conversations. In addition, these students are working on their Spring semester Genius



Hour (20% Time) projects. A few students have chosen to do a research paper instead of the Genius Hour Project. They have been given topics related to the novel (The Good Earth). Advanced Composition students have finished *Pride and Prejudice*. They are currently completing their Research papers (due 4/6/17). After paper submissions, these students will begin their final reading and writing tasks. Students choose from a number of shorter Steinbeck novel and write a Literary Analysis. In addition, these students will close their time at SHS engaged in a personal writing task (Write your own letter of recommendation), wherein they are challenged to self reflect and consider how they would document their skills and abilities in regard to their time at SHS. Academic Resource students are working on Integrity and Ethics while continuing to develop skills on regard to Self Regulation. These three will take them through the end of the semester.

Debra Garber---SHS Spring Play and Forensics

On April 13 and 14, SHS will present the comedy *Chateau La Roach* by Lauren Wilson. Come enjoy the story of Mimi and Francois, the French proprietors of Chateau La Roach, which rests on the shores of a peaceful lake in the United States. As they prepare for a big weekend of visitors, including a famed travel writer, the staff spies a roach in the lobby, and then in the bathroom and in the kitchen, and on the elevator going to the 3rd floor. It isn't long before the roaches begin to grow exceedingly tall and they are hungry. With the help of the local, and cheap, exterminator can Mimi and Francois save their chateau and their mints. Performances begin at 7:00 at the Sabetha Middle School Auditorium.

With one tournament remaining in our season, the Sabetha High School forensics team has qualified six events for state championship competition and eight events for state festival competition. State competition will be May 5th in Wichita.

Aaron Frey

American History—Our classes are currently doing a Civil Rights unit. Students are researching a civil rights person or organization and then presenting to the class. We should assess the unit next week.

World History—Students are beginning an environmental project. Research for this project will be done this week and student presentations will begin next week.

Baseball—The varsity team opened up play this season at Valley Falls on Thursday. Sabetha won by scores of 26-0 and 16-4. The varsity home opener will be Thursday the 5th of April and the JV will begin their season at Perry on Friday the 6th.

Adam Aadalen - Vocal Music

Saturday April 7th is Regional Solo and Small Ensemble Festival at Benedictine College. We have been spending a lot of time in preparation for this event, as well as the Large Ensemble contest on the 19th. I've encouraged many students to try out solos, and we have eight soloists this year (Hunter Lowdermilk, Brooklyn Bauman, Samantha Edwards, Norea Menold, Aubri Gugelman, Aric Erdley, Rachel Kuenzi, and Nikole Kuenzi). We also have six ensembles participating (Odyssey Men, Odyssey Women, Infinity Women, Junior Quartet, Sophomore Quartet, and Sophomore Women). I'm optimistic that we will see great results and many qualifications for the State contest on April 28th.

After Regionals, our focus will shift to the Large Ensemble contest which involves all students in Odyssey, Infinity, and Concert Choir. Looking even further (but not that really far away) will be final preparation for the Spring Concert as well as Graduation.



Josh Wertenberger

Trigonometry/Precalculus: The Trig/PreCalc class is finishing the chapter on Trigonometric Identities and Equations. They will test next week, then start Systems of Equations and Matrices. We will finish the semester with Conic Sections.

Geometry: Students have been working on Quadrilaterals. They will move on to Proportions and Similarity next week and finish with Right Triangles and Trigonometry to finish the semester.

All classes celebrated Pi Day last month, bringing their favorite pie to share with the class! The sophomore class completed their state math assessments on Tuesday of this week.

Kristina Castillo---English 1, English 4, Yearbook, KAY Club, Drivers' Education

English 1--Students in English 1 are working on *Romeo and Juliet*. They are reading aloud in class and discussing lines. Students spend a lot of time working out how the themes in *Romeo and Juliet*, written over 400 years ago, are still applicable today.

English 4--Students in English 4 are reading one of three novels with discussions and testing to follow.

Yearbook--Hannah Enneking, the yearbook manager, is finishing up local business sponsorships for the yearbook. Students are busy taking photos and working on spring pages. Brynna Broxterman and Lexie Castillo are also working on slideshows for both the athletic banquet and graduation.

KAY Club--KAY Club members had a busy week last week. They cleaned up trash from the entire Sabetha school campus (elementary school to the high school track and football practice field). In addition, we filled and leveled the rock beds at the entrance to the school. Last Saturday was the annual "Welcome to the Nest" KAY Club Volleyball tournament. There were five teams, including an alumni team, and several adult volunteers to referee. Everyone had fun.

Drivers' Education--The deadline to sign up to take this summer's drivers' education course is Thursday, April 5. Applications have been coming in and organizing has begun.

Monica Edelman - Spanish 1, Spanish 2, & Spanish 3/4

Spanish 1 - Students are learning house-related vocabulary, how to talk about where they live and details about their house.

Spanish 2 - Students recently completed a bullfighting unit where they examined both the pro-and anti-bullfighting stances, and actively participated in a debate. They are



currently preparing for their upcoming trip to the Mexican restaurant where they will order and interact with the waiter/waitress only in Spanish.

Spanish ¾ - Students are beginning a “Drogas por las Américas” (Drugs throughout the Americas), where they are learning about the culture and impact of drug-trafficking from South America through Central America and to the United States. They will be preparing and presenting suggested solutions to the current drug-related problems throughout the Americas next week.

Pam Walker Family & Consumer Science, FCCLA & Library

Family Studies: The students in this class are reviewing the ages and stages of development and will be creating two age appropriate busy bags.

Nutrition & Wellness: Students are putting to use lessons learned working on their Personal Wellness Portfolios.

Consumer and Personal Finance: Buying a car will be our next unit in this class. Students will be creating a “Drive Free” poster showing how they can upgrade a car by make car payments to themselves.

Foundations of Early Childhood Education: Students in this class have a few more opportunities to plan activities for and interact with our preschoolers and one kindergarten class.

FCCLA: Eight students will be attending FCCLA State Leadership Conference in Wichita April 16-17.

Library: National Library Week is April 8-14. Students will be celebrating by creating a book spine poem, with small prizes being given to the winning entries.

Scott Burger - Personal Finance

We just finished our section on Home, Health, Life and Auto Insurance. We presently are covering the purchase/financing of New and Used Vehicles.

In spring sports, we have 51 out for track, 17 golf, 27 baseball and 23 softball, 118 total.

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Government: Students are learning about foreign policy while gearing up for their



Community Improvement Projects in front of the City Commission at the end of the month.

American History: Students are beginning the Civil Rights Unit. They will be completing several document analysis projects where they will be answering key questions such as Why was the Montgomery Bus Boycott successful?

Briana Evans, School Counselor

State assessments were administered on 4.2.2018 & 4.3.2018 to 10th (ELA & Math) and 11th (Science & HGSS). At this time, the bulk of our testing is completed and the overall process was mostly uneventful. The students were prepared for the schedule & did an excellent job with perseverance.

The third and final 8th grade transition event will occur on Friday, 4.13.2018. A number of our upperclassmen will be leading students through a “shadow day” experience in which the 8th graders will get to observe SHS teachers “in action” and/or visit with them individually about their courses/programs/sponsorships. We are looking forward to hosting the 8th graders & having them in the building regularly next school year.

