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Building Report November 2017 BOE Meeting

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WHS Musical: The High School musical, "The Little Mermaid Jr.," was performed November 2-4, Thursday through Saturday evenings. Congratulations to the cast, Mrs. Boyd, and Mr. Stiers for a very enjoyable and entertaining performance.

KAYS: Our KAYS Club officers participated in the regional Conference at Seneca on Friday, November 3. At the conference, the students participated in workshops regarding service projects that the KAY organization can utilize throughout the school year.

OTL (Oregon Trail League) Music Clinic: We attended the Music Clinic on Monday, November 6 at Axtell. Students worked with a clinician from Highland Community College in the afternoon and then performed that evening together as an entire league. Students also performed one song as individual schools. The evening was enjoyable and the students did an outstanding job.

Junior Career Fair: The Juniors attended the Career Fair on Tuesday, November 7 at Centralia. The morning consisted of a keynote speaker and the students visited career booths of their choosing to explore different career interests. This opportunity allows the students to continue to develop their Individual Plans of Study as they look toward their future after high school.

Middle School Basketball Tournament: The middle school basketball season is underway as we are hosting our annual pre-season basketball tournament that includes Wetmore, Axtell, Frankfort, and SPPS. I would like to extend a huge Thank You to Mrs. Bloom for her organization and preparation with the tournament. We have 11 girls and 15 boys participating in basketball this year.

Veterans Day Assembly: We will host our annual Veterans Day Program on Friday, November 10, to honor and recognize our area veterans. I would like to extend a special Thank You to Mrs. Sheldon and KAYS for planning this event. High School students are also volunteering at the blood drive on the same day.

Scholars Bowl: Scholars Bowl season has started. Students participating this year are Seniors-Alena Pfrang and McKayla Henry, Juniors-Joel Hutfles, Curtis Bloom, Ally Davis, Alyssa Montgomery, Lauryn Scott Sophomores-Savannah Bryant, Michael Hemenway, and Freshman-Reagan Osterhaus, Austin Smith. Good luck to Mrs. Strathman and the team!

Advisory: Advisory is underway and has been redesigned to focus on Individual Plans of Study and Career Cruising. We meet once a month and the program has been expanded to include grades 6-12.



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MTSS: Grade level groups met at the last PLC (Professional Learning Community) and determined needed Tier support in Reading and Math and formed intervention groups. Interventions are in place and at the next PLC meeting, teachers and instructional staff will begin implementing progress monitoring of these groups. We will also begin looking deeper into our behavioral/social emotional data to determine needed individual support in the area of social-emotional learning. I would like to thank the BLT, teachers, instructional staff, Mrs. Gatz, and the TASN Team for their diligent work to help prepare us for implementation.

Career Symposium: Grades 9-12 will travel to Sabetha High School on Monday, November 20 to attend the Career Symposium. Students in grades 9, 10, and 12 will listen to the Keynote Speaker, Jodi Grover, College & Career Ready Coordinator, USD 268. Students in grades 9 and 10 will then attend different breakout sessions including an additional Keynote Speaker. Students in grade 12 will be involved in a professional interview process and Career Cruising activities. Students in grade 11 will spend the entire morning participating in ACT preparation. I would like to extend a special Thank You to Mrs. Evans for her organization and planning of this event.

Vandalism Update: Plans are being made to begin work on repairing damages due to the break-in and vandalism at Wetmore. I hope to have plans finalized and personnel in place to begin the repair work over Winter Break. I have spoken with Denise Wheeler to complete the painting, Holton Carpet Outlet to replace the carpet, and Jeff Vahling of Von Lintel Refinishing & Flooring, Inc. to redo the gym floor.

Upcoming Events

- November 9 – Financial Aid Night-7:00
- November 13 – HSBB practice begins
- November 14 – Scholars Bowl @ Sabetha-4:00
- November 15 – Site Council/Booster Club Meeting -6:15/7:00
- November 16 – MSBB @ Axtell
- November 20 – Scholars Bowl @ Onaga-4:00
- November 28 – Scholars Bowl @ Valley Falls-4:00
- November 30 – MSBB vs. Onaga
- December 1 – HSBB @ St. Joe Christian, MO
- December 2 – HSBB @ Lewiston, NE