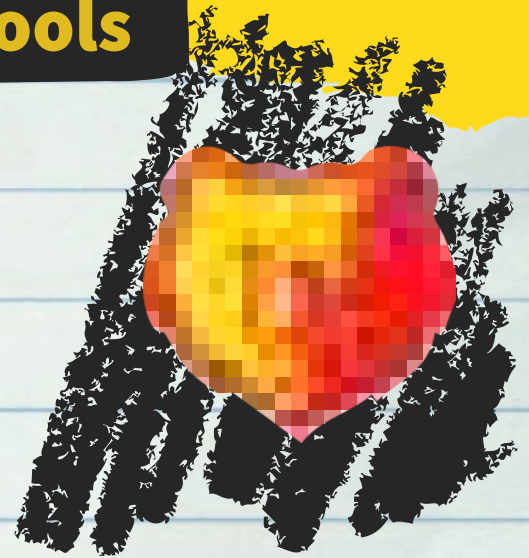


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USD 506 Recognized by Kansas Commissioner of Education

We are excited to share that USD 506 has been recognized by the Kansas Commissioner of Education for the 2021 Star Recognition Awards Program. This program recognizes the exceptional work Kansas districts are doing to reach the state's vision for education. Labette County Schools were recognized for the following:



- Individual Plan of Study
- Graduation (Gold)
- Postsecondary Effectiveness (Bronze)
- Prepared for High School Graduation (Copper)
- Social-Emotional Growth
- Civic Engagement
- Commissioner's Award
- Kindergarten Readiness

Congratulations to the administration, teachers and staff for their exceptional work toward achieving these awards and working hard to do what's best for Labette County students everyday.

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The Spongebob Musical



Get excited for this weekend! On November 19th at 7pm and the 20th at 2pm and 7pm, the Labette County theater students present The Spongebob Musical. Tickets can be purchased at labettecountytheatre.com.

Altamont Grade School



Perfect Attendance

Altamont Grade School is pleased to report that 60 students had perfect attendance for the first nine weeks!! Congratulations to the kiddos who made it through the first nine weeks without having to be absent.

Winter Sports are in Full Swing

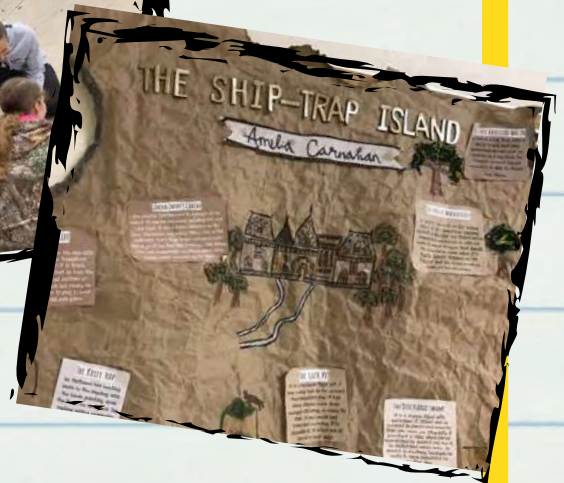
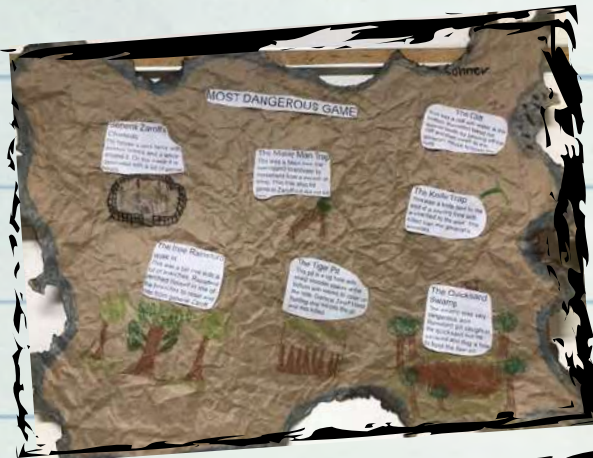
Basketball Season will begin on Monday, Nov. 15. Currently, 18 AGS girls and 13 AGS boys signed up to play.

Wrestling Season has begun. There are 10 girls and 4 boys out of wrestling at AGS. We are looking forward to watching the kids compete both on the wrestling mat and the basketball court.



8th Graders read "The Most Dangerous Game"

The 8th-grade students at AGS read "The Most Dangerous Game" and made maps with descriptions of Ship Trip Island. In the pictures, the students created authentic-looking maps. Mrs. Kim Smith addressed the reading objective that teaches students to analyze how different parts of a story create suspense. In addition, the students were learning about the writing objective that teaches students to produce clear and coherent writing suitable to its purpose and audience.



Bartlett Grade School

Upper Grades Visit Greenbush

After the first nine weeks, Bartlett implemented positive office referrals. Pictured below is Rayleigh who was the first recipient of this after she purchased a backpack for a student who needed one. Bartlett teachers have tied this into the Social Emotional lessons which focus on the pillars of good character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. We encourage the kids to make TRRFCC (Terrific) choices.



Upper Grades Visit Greenbush

Bartlett Grade School was able to take their 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade students on an overnight trip to Greenbush. Greenbush is an educational cooperative located near Girard, Kansas, that USD 506 has partnered with for many years in order to provide our students opportunities that they might otherwise not receive. These students were able to get a lot of outdoor time and learn about many things around them. Two wonderful instructors from Greenbush, Emily and Sydney, planned the activities and were full of great information. Some of the activities included shelter/fire building, seining for fish, pumpkin carving, hiking, fishing, and leaf chromatography. They were also able to utilize the observatory one night to look at Saturn, Jupiter, and the moon. This trip included a lot of team-building activities and really helped our staff form better relationships with the students. The kids had a great time and learned a lot of science and real-world skills all while they thought they were just having fun.



Edna Grade School



7th Graders Give Back to the Community

Our 7th-grade class worked on a community service project this week painting trash barrels. Thank you to Joyce, Kim, Jason, and Corey for their help organizing and preparing for our day, Ken and Therese Foster for donating the barrels, the City of Edna for donating paint, and The Carrico's for donating spray paint and the template.



2nd Grade Celebrates Pioneer's Day

On Nov. 5th, Edna Grade School's 2nd grade had a Pioneer Day. Students read the book *Little House on the Prairie* and studied pioneers in social studies. To finish their unit they got to do pioneer chores like using a washboard, grinding coffee, and sewing. Then they played pioneer games that included horseshoes and jacks. Next, they grabbed their lunch pails and had a pioneer picnic. Finally, Darrell and Andrea Riley brought their team of horses to the school and gave the students a wagon ride. It was a great day and the students had a hands-on pioneer experience.



Meadow View Grade School

2nd Graders Create Patriotic Agamograph Display

Students in Mrs. Baldwin's 2nd grade class had the opportunity to learn more about our veterans, and why we honor them on Veteran's Day. Students read about service members and veterans, and then submitted questions to a local USMC veteran. Our veteran friend videotaped a response for the class to watch together. Students also honored our veterans by creating a patriotic agamograph display.



2nd Graders Learn About Photosynthesis

Students in Mrs. Wolford's 2nd grade classroom gathered leaves to study after learning about photosynthesis. They discovered that leaves are green in the spring and summer because that's when they are making lots of chlorophyll and that chlorophyll is important because it helps plants make energy from sunlight. They discussed how the tree prepares for winter by stopping the making of chlorophyll, therefore, allowing the reds, oranges, and yellows to become visible in leaves. Afterwards, they created thankful cards and decorated them with leaf rubbings.



Former Student Donates \$20,000 to Meadow View

We are so thankful to the Parsons Community Foundation and Mr. Ajit Pai, former Meadow View student and Commissioner of the FCC, for stopping by to answer questions from some Falcon students and for donating \$20,000 to Meadow View Grade School. Thank you, Mr. Pai!



Mound Valley Grade School



Student Council takes part in Greenbush Leadership Program

Our Mound Valley Grade School Student Council is taking part in Greenbush's Middle School Student Leadership Program for students involved in middle school student council. After conducting an application process, student speeches, and class elections, student council representatives are chosen by popular vote in each grade level (6-8). They receive opportunities to explore what it means to serve on student council, which includes topics such as: being a representative, planning and executing service projects, and what it means to be a leader. This program meets once a quarter and is virtual. They participate in team-building exercises and discussions that promote leadership.



Our 2021-2022 student council representatives are:
8th-Mason Hoppes & Sami Martin
7th-Charles Black & Madison Hoppes
6th-Kaylin McCoy & Lelei Oram.



2nd Grade Learns Science the Fun Way

Second Grade did several science activities to learn about the effects of water on land. Students made mountains out of cornmeal. They were to design and test ways to keep the mountain from washing away. Students ripped up pieces of paper to model what happens to the rocks as they travel along the river. Students made paper mountains. They sprayed the paper mountain with water to make rainfall. They could see the patterns of how water and rivers flow. Way to investigate and learn about erosion! Science is FUN!

6th graders learn the Phoenician Alphabet

Mound Valley sixth grade students are creating name tablets with clay and styluses using the Phoenician alphabet. This activity is part of our unit on early river civilizations.





Labette County High School



Senior Parliamentary Procedure Team (l to r): Lakin Giager, Cecillia Newby, Charli Alloway, Noah Wiley, Tanner Templeton, & Alex Meister

FFA Parliamentary Procedure Teams Shines

The Labette County FFA Parliamentary Procedure Teams recently competed in the Southeast District Parliamentary Procedure Contest at Girard High School. Weeks of hard work and preparation paid off as the Intermediate team placed second and the Senior team placed first. The Senior team will compete and represent the Southeast District at the 94th Kansas FFA Convention in June.



Intermediate Parliamentary Procedure Team (l to r): Dallas Hill, Anna Cantrell, Haylie Burroughs, Kaylee Eberhart, Sydney Foster, & Peyton Merrick

The FFA Parliamentary Procedure competition consists of members conducting a meeting where they debate a topic dealing with FFA or agriculture. In addition, participants are required to process motions during the presentation, are asked questions concerning parliamentary procedure and are tested on their knowledge of parliamentary procedure.

LCHS Art Classes & Club Visit Crystal Bridges Museum

Recently, students from 2D advanced art, 3D advanced art, and photography classes along with the LCHS art club visited the Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art in Bentonville, Arkansas. Students experiences art created in their own backyard. The tour focused on innovation in art. Students learned about different forms of innovation and how they can use art to benefit others. The museum features a collection that consists of art and architecture created by American artists. Some of the artists include Andy Warhol, Norman Rockwell, Thomas Hart Benton, and even a Frank Lloyd Wright house.



Labette County High School



Smith Elected Skills USA Kansas President

Over the last month, Lathe Smith has been very busy. During the Fall Leadership Conference several weeks ago, Lathe ran for the Skills USA State President of Kansas. He went through a four-part process to be selected for the position, completing three speeches and a job skills demonstration. For his job skills demonstration Lathe showcased a fully functional electronics operated Ironman helmet. When asked why an Ironman helmet Lathe stated, "I love pop culture and wanted to create something people recognized. Ironman is such a technological character I decided I wanted to develop something that highlighted Ironman."



Lathe was selected as the State President, the fifth Grizzly to hold this prestigious position. When asked why he wanted to run for the position Lathe stated, "I wanted more leadership opportunities at the state level. Mr. Warren really encouraged me to seek out these positions because he knew I had the skills and the ability to hold these positions."

Labette County High School's Grizzlies of the Month for November

We are happy to congratulate the LCHS Grizzlies of the Month. The criteria for nominated were: exemplary character, personal development, community service/involvement, individual achievement, outstanding attitude/disposition, leadership, compassion for others, significant progress in the classroom or extracurricular activities, marked improvement in overall grades, and outstanding academic achievement. There is a student selected from each grade level (9th through 12th grade) and an "At Large" student that can be from any grade.

This month there were two "At Large" selections.



Abigail VanLeeuwen
Senior



Emily Eichhorn
Junior



Olivia Bradfield
Sophomore



Grace "Toby" Polshak
Freshman



Lauren Forbes
Senior- At Large



Mitchell House
Senior- At Large