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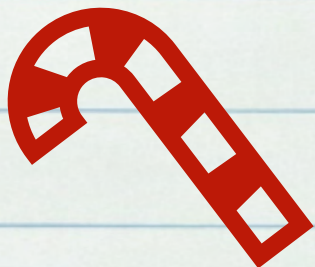
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TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY RETIRES

Friday, December 17th was the final day for the USD 506 Transportation Secretary, Diane McCartney. After 30 years with the district, Diane officially retired.



Diane was celebrated with a short ceremony and breakfast with the transportation and maintenance departments. Mr. Omarkhail created a plaque for Diane to honor her 30 year commitment to the students and staff of Labette County Schools. Sharon Wolgamott, who was hired this past summer, has been working with Diane the past few months for a seamless transition as we move into the second half of the 2021-2022 school year. Congrats, Diane!

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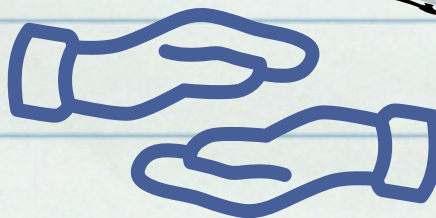


Altamont Grade School



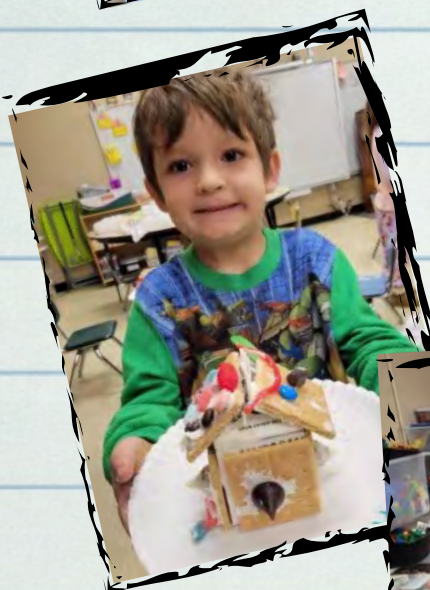
Giving Back to the Community

8th graders went shopping for the Altamont Gift of Love and then sorted food to be given to families in our community! We are proud of the 8th grade for their hard work. Thanks goes to The Corner Store for donating lunch. What a blessing!



Kindergartners Make Gingerbread Houses

'Tis the season: AGS kindergartners had some fun this week making gingerbread houses. As you can see from the looks on their faces, the kids had a lot of fun with the project!



Bartlett Grade School



Fluid, Forces and Floating

In Mrs. Waugh's eighth grade class, they have been studying a unit on fluids, forces, and floating. They used this hands-on activity to put their knowledge into action. This was a great way for those kinesthetic learners to solidify their understanding of the concepts.



6th Graders Present PBL Presentations

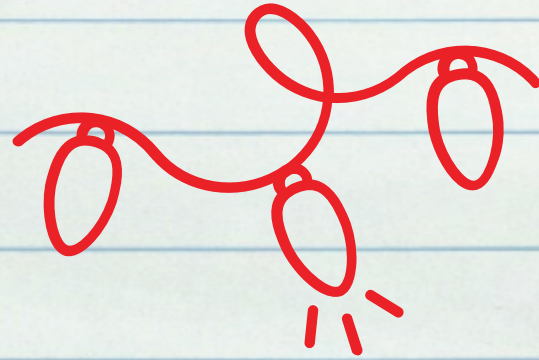
6th grade began their Project Based Learning presentations. They definitely challenged themselves with the process. Their hard work was obvious as they shared their knowledge with their peers. The future is bright!! These pictures are of Alex Dolechek and Jaxon Payne sharing their knowledge about "What technology and inventions helped promote the growth of civilizations in Egypt and left a legacy for other civilizations and our own?"

Edna Grade School



Edna Students get in the Christmas Spirit

Edna Grade School is decorated for Christmas! Kindergarten, first, and second grade students designed and created holiday decorations and set up lights for a special outdoor display. The display was be lit up every night till December 17th. The community was invited to drive by and enjoy the display.

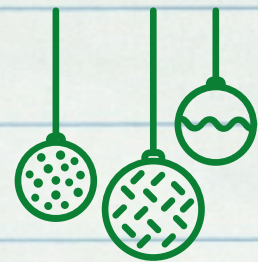


Christmas Tree Ornament Contest Winners

The Community National Bank of Edna held its annual Christmas Tree Ornament Contest for grades K-6 this past December. For every ornament displayed the bank contributes \$2.00 toward the school's library fund. This year's winners are:

- Kindergarten – Bennie Johnston
- 1st grade – Nolan Chapman
- 2nd grade – Jaxton Fentress
- 3rd grade – Brogan Zwahlen
- 4th grade – Gracie Transue
- 5th grade – Brentley Barnett
- 6th grade – Elysian Reeder.

This year's winners received a gift card for their efforts. The bank contributed \$240.00 to our Library fund. Thank You Community National!!



Edna Grade School



3rd Graders Meet Local Law Enforcement

The Edna 3rd graders had a visit from the Labette County Sheriff Department this week. Officer Adamson, Officer Lahey, and K9 Officer Memphis stopped by to show us what it takes to be a K9 team. We watched Memphis work and even played a little bit too. This was a great connection to the story the class read for language arts this week, Aero and Officer Mike, which is also about a K9 team.



Meadow View Grade School



Meadow View Students Participate in Limbo Contest

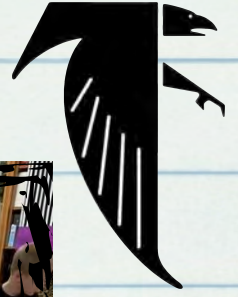
Meadow View students have recently been participating in a roller skating unit in Mr. Thompson's gym class. On December 17th, a representative from each class participated in a school-wide limbo contest. The roller skating limbo winner was 8th grader Jocelyn Karhoff. Jocelyn cleared 1.5 feet in skates! Way to go, Jocelyn!



Participants:

- 1st- Maisy Scott-Adamson, Acacia West
- 2nd- Autumn Belkamp, Daniel Hughes
- 3rd- Mason Scott-Adamson, Stormy Johnson
- 4th- Alyssa Norman, Kinsley Nutter
- 5th- Alyvia Roberts, Amelia Karhoff
- 6th- Chris Alvarado, Rome Strickland
- 7th- Emma Johnson, Jaden Geiger
- 8th- Jocelyn Karhoff, Keegan Gofourth

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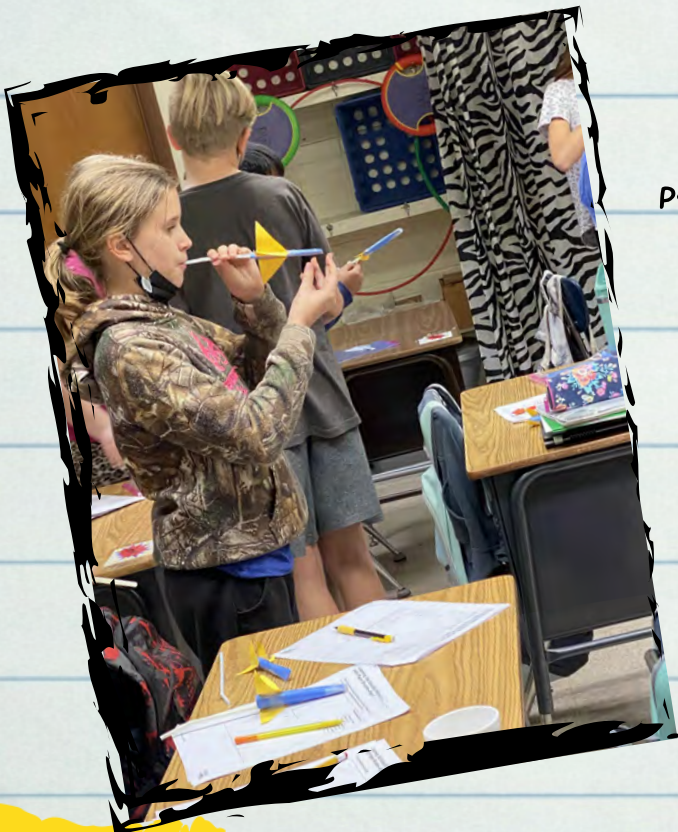
1st Graders Work on All Things Gingerbread

Mrs. Roberts' 1st grade class did all things gingerbread! Gingerbread houses, gingerbread cookies, gingerbread math, gingerbread play dough and more!



5th Graders Design Rockets

Using the Scientific Method, 5th grade designed a paper rocket. Students learned what the independent, dependent and controlled variables were. They then launched their rocket and completed a bar graph showing their results.





Mound Valley Grade School



School and Community Come Together at Mound Valley

Students took advantage of the beautiful weather and walked down town to the Mound Valley Christmas tree. Students hung their ornaments they decorated. We are so thankful for Barbwire for donating the ornaments so our kids could decorate them. Some of our older students helped our younger ones hang their ornaments. We love that our town offers amazing traditions that bring the school and community together!

Basketball Off to a Great Start

It's been a fun start to basketball so far! Players and cheerleaders are doing great and getting stronger every game! We have 16 boys and 18 girls playing basketball. Our coaches, Mike and Tammy Hayward and Blake Lacey, are doing a great job getting our kids in shape, learning how to work together, and most of all having fun!



Junior High Math Students Prepare for Food Drive

Mrs. Cole's Junior High math students are using their math skills in preparation for our school wide nonperishable food drive which was held Dec 13-17th. Students had to figure the area and tape it off for each grade to put their nonperishable food. Our Junior High students will deliver the items to various places in Mound Valley. The class who has the most food will win an extra recess! What a great way to give back to our community.



Labette County High School



LCHS Volleyball Sends Two Seniors to Play in Junior College



We would like to send a big Grizzly Congratulations to LCHS Seniors Anna Dean and Karsyn Stewart. Both girls signed letters of intent to play college volleyball on December 20th.

Anna, a four year letter winner for the Grizzlies with numerous Southeast Kansas League and State accolades, will be continuing her volleyball career at Hutchinson Community College for Coach Delice Downing.

Karsyn, another multi-year letter winner for the Grizzlies will be continuing her volleyball venture with Coach Haley Miller at Labette Community College. We are so proud of these Grizzlies!



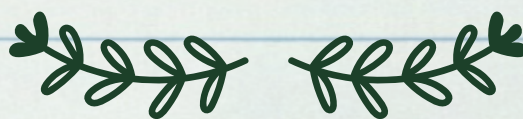
LCHS Student Named Semi-Finalist for Coca-Cola Scholarship

Labette County high school senior, Holden Vail, has been named a Semi-finalist for the 2022 class of the Coca-Cola Scholars Program, moving to the next round of the selection process to become a Coca-Cola Scholar and receive a \$20,000 college scholarship.



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Semifinalists are now asked to complete Phase 2 applications, which include essays, a recommendation, and transcripts. An independent selection committee will review the applications and select 250 Regional Finalists by the end of January to participate in online interviews. 150 Coca-Cola Scholars will be named in March to receive a \$20,000 college scholarship and participate in the Coca-Cola Scholars Leadership Development Institute facilitated by program alumni. Congrats, Holden!



We wish you all a wonderful holiday filled with love, warmth, and joy! Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!