

SANTA FE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL
BOE REPORT
THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2014

CONFERENCES

Santa Fe Trail High School personnel are in the last stages of conferencing with parents and students of all 9th, 10, and 11th graders. For the Class of 2015, 95% of 84 conferences have been completed by the two counselors—Melissa Strother and Joy Schmidt. For the Class of 2016, 91% of 75 conferences and for the Class of 2015, 95% of 75 conferences were completed by the two counselors, Patrick Graham, Marci Alstatt, Tina McIver, David Swaim, Steve Pegram and Shellie Robinson.

Comments from the conferences were positive and most parents were grateful for the personal attention to plans for their son/daughter.

FIELD TRIPS

The first and second semester ACCC US Government classes of Mr. Staab will be traveling to the capital on Monday, March 24th to see the new renovations, visit with two state senators, watch the legislative process up close, and end with a proclamation recognizing the volleyball team as the 2013 4A Division II State Champions. They will also be touring the governor's mansion along with the capital building.

SPRING PLAY

Santa Fe Trail is proud to announce this year's play; The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon! The dates for performance are March 28th at 7:00 pm, March 29th at 7:00 pm, and March 30th at 2:00 pm. The fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm are turned on their heads in this fast-paced, rollicking ride as two narrators and several actors attempt to combine all 209 stories ranging from classics like Snow White, Cinderella, and Hansel and Gretel to more bizarre, obscure stories like The Devil's Grandmother and The Girl Without Hands. It's a wild, free-form comedy with lots of audience participation and madcap fun. Please come join the SFT theatre department, for one wild ride... You won't be disappointed!

GREEN TEAM

In an effort to inform the community of the energy efficiency of new CFL and LED light bulbs, the newly formed SFT GREEN TEAM partnering with Batteries Plus of Topeka, shared their knowledge of how families can cut cost in their utility bills and help improve the environment at the same time. The students set up a booth at two home basketball games and visited with patrons sharing what they had learned about the use of electricity in our homes. The Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 requires that new light bulbs be 25-30% more energy efficient. Not only will the new bulbs use less energy they will also last much longer. While these new energy efficient bulbs are more expensive initially, the savings will be noticed in the electric bill each month with the typical household saving between \$50 and \$100 per year. In an effort to offset these costs Batteries Plus has graciously donated coupons to ease the burden of making the transition.

A few of the facts GREEN TEAM members shared with interested individuals:

- 90% of the energy coming into a traditional incandescent bulb is turned into heat , not light

- 6% of the average electric bill is spent on lighting your home
- If every home in America replaced one incandescent light bulb with a CFL it would save enough energy to light 3 million homes for a year and remove 9 BILLION pounds of greenhouse emissions per year from the atmosphere. Imagine what would happen if we replaced them with LED's.

YEARBOOK AWARDS

The 2013 Charger yearbook is featured in the 2014 Jostens Look Book. This is an annual "best of the best" publication that features 426 yearbooks from approximately 3,000 that were submitted for consideration.

The Look Book is sent to yearbook classes across the country, and is displayed at the National High School Journalism conventions.

Congratulations to the Charger yearbook staff.

ATHLETIC AND ACTIVITIES AT SFT

Again this year, we have been hit with cold and snowy conditions to start our spring sports season!! We all know that the snow is a hassle, but the moisture continues to be a welcome site to our practice and competition fields.

BOYS BASKETBALL

The boys' varsity team finished the season 3-10 in the Big 7 League and 6-14 overall. Their season continues with sub-state play at Eudora on March 7th and 8th.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

This year included many bright moments for the Lady Chargers!! The varsity team finished the year 12-1 in the Big 7 League and 17-3 overall. The 13-1 league record earned them a 1st place finish in league! The season continues with sub-state play at Eudora on March 6th and 8th.

WRESTLING

The Santa Fe Trail Wrestling team enjoyed a successful rebuilding year. Last year the Chargers finished 5-16, and only returned 5 out of 14 weight classes with any varsity experience. This year the Chargers finished 15-7, and will return 13 wrestlers with varsity experience. The Chargers lose two seniors, Trent Padgett, and Gayle Warren, from a team of 23. SFT had three freshman qualify for the state tournament in Chris Davis at 106, Bryce Erickson at 113, and Jacob Hastings at 285. That will give the Chargers 4 returning wrestlers next season with state experience, as junior Zac West qualified as a sophomore. Below are the varsity records for the 2013-14 wrestling season:

106	Christian Davis	freshman	27-13
113	Bryce Erickson	freshman	30-6
120	Zac West	junior	9-17

126	Dakota Hargett	freshman	7-16
132	Colin Koger	sophomore	20-17
138	Cal Lyle	sophomore	17-19
145	Nathan Pawley	junior	25-10
152	Peyton Newton	freshman	11-18
160	Chaz Wright	junior	20-9
170	Trent Padgett	senior	16-18
182	Ethan Dean	sophomore	29-12
195	Scott Spoonemore	freshman	5-13
220	Trent Moore	freshman	13-18
285	Jake Hastings	freshman	25-15

The following junior varsity wrestlers showed great improvement over the course of the season:

113	Marcell Creswell	freshman
120	Derrick Martinek	freshman
126	Matthew Wurm	freshman
138	Alika Moeder	freshman
145	Gage Greenfield	freshman
152	Trent Bond	freshman
160	Gayle Warren	senior
160	Brayden Collins	freshman
285	Josh Elley	freshman

DANCE TEAM

Dance Team practice for tryouts will be held at the high school on March 10th and 12th from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. The actual tryout will be on Friday, March 14th at 10:00 am, at the high school.

CHEERLEADING

Cheerleading practice for tryouts will be held at the high school on March 11th and 13th from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. The actual tryout will be on Friday, March 14th at 9:00 am, at the high school.

KAY

KAY will sponsor a Blood Drive on March 13th. The Santa Fe Trail Community is encouraged to participate!!

BASEBALL

The Charger baseball team welcomed 34 students to their first practice. The junior varsity and varsity teams will see their first action on Thursday, March 27th against Anderson County. The varsity will be at home and the junior varsity will be on the road. All varsity and junior varsity home games are played at Jones Park in Overbrook.

SOFTBALL

The Lady Chargers began practice on Tuesday, March 11th. They have 27 team members. Just as the boys will, the junior varsity and varsity teams will see their first action as they host Anderson County on Thursday, March 27th. All varsity and junior varsity home games are played at Jones Park in Carbondale.

BOYS GOLF

This season there are 13 boys out for the team. Their first competition will be at Burlington on Tuesday, April 8th.

TRACK

The Santa Fe Trail track team will see their first action on Thursday, April 3rd when they travel north to Silver Lake. This year's team consists of 30 members.

FBLA

The Santa Fe Trail FBLA chapter took 30 members and 2 advisers to the District 7 Conference held at Ottawa University on February 10. SFT-FBLA placed second out of 12 schools that attended. Twenty-one students placed in the Top 10 in their events. They were:

Name	Place	Event
Georgie Branson	8 th	Business Calculations
	4 th	Business Communications
	2 nd	Economics
	6 th	Personal Finance
Anna Capra	6 th	Client Service
Dominic Capra	4 th	Entrepreneurship
	5 th	Global Business
Zane Cersovsky	1 st	Computer Problem Solving
	1 st	Cyber Security
	1 st	Help Desk
	1 st	Networking Concepts
	1 st	Network Design Team
Mackinzie Foster	3 rd	Introduction to Business
	1 st	Intro. to Business Communications
Cody Hastings	7 th	Sports & Entertainment Management
Jacob Hastings	7 th	Sports & Entertainment Management
Elizabeth Hill	4 th	Word Processing
	6 th	Ms. FBL
Kyle Hug	7 th	Sports & Entertainment Management
Jordyn Johnson	7 th	Business Math
Chase Logan	4 th	Entrepreneurship
	5 th	Global Business
Ali Logsdon	5 th	Business Communications
Colin McIver	1 st	Emerging Business Issues
	2 nd	Help Desk
	6 th	Impromptu Speaking
	1 st	Network Design Team
Peyton Newton	7 th	Word Processing
Nate Pawley	1 st	Emerging Business Issues
Trevor Rosine	1 st	Client Service
	8 th	Job Interview

	3 rd	Impromptu Speaking
Alyx Smith	6 th	Intro. to Business Communications
Dylan Smith	3 rd	Spreadsheet Applications
Brandon Stahel	9 th	Parliamentary Procedures
Garrett Stout	4 th	Entrepreneurship
	5 th	Global Business
	5 th	Mr. FBL
Blair Urish	2 nd	Networking Concepts
	1 st	Computer Applications
	2 nd	Spreadsheet Applications

Next step for —STATE Competition on March 25-26 in Topeka, Kansas. At the state conference, Junior member, Elizabeth Hill, will be campaigning for District 7 Vice President. She will become a member of the Kansas FBLA State Officer team upon election on March 26.

MULTIMEDIA CLASS—Ms. Lindell’s Multimedia class created presentations about SAFETY that could be played on TV monitors in a Pediatrician’s waiting room. Working in teams of two, student’s planned their presentation using Prezi’s or PowerPoint software. They needed to consider the subject matter they wanted to include, remembering their ‘target’ audience. SFTHS Nurse, Jeanette Lewis, was invited to observe and critique the presentations for each group. Mrs. Lewis provided genuine comments to the groups and information to update their presentations to be as realistic as possible.