

**SANTA FE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2015**

ENROLLMENT CONFERENCEES

The high school is just finishing up the enrollment conferences for the current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. As of Wednesday, all but 12 students were entered electronically into PowerSchool for the 2015-16 enrollment year. Lots of planning and preparation by our counselors, Joy Schmidt and Melissa Strother, made this process a success.

BYOC

The high school like the rest of the school district is right in the middle of BYOC (Build Your Own Curriculum). The building is continuing their work on finishing classes as the school year winds down. So far, the following classes have been approved to go "Live" for USD 434. As you can see, the high school is represented well.

COURSES THAT ARE PUBLIC

- Geometry
- Pre-Calculus
- Old West
- Algebra I
- Junior Honors English
- 3rd math
- 4th math
- US History
- 1st grade math
- 6th grade math
- Trigonometry
- Career and Financial Planning
- Biology
- Physics
- Spanish I

DRUG TESTING RESULTS (So far)

At the conclusion of the 3rd nine weeks:

1. 0.9% of Students Tested have FAILED
2. 2.8% of All Students Selected to Participate in the Test have REFUSED

SCIENCE NEWS

There has been lots of exciting things happening in the science department lately. If you have driven by the high school you may have noticed some dirt work west of the DAC. The pad has been poured for the installation of the wind turbine through a grant program with Westar Energy and K-State. The final assembly of the turbine and tower will happen on April 2nd so feel free to stop by and see what is happening.

On February 25th Flint Hills Technical College visited Ms. Robinson's classes and discussed electricity production. March 25th the class will have a second session with the instructors from Flint Hills on the possible careers in the energy field.

ART

Scylar Spoonemoore was a finalist for the "Artist of the Week" award for the 10th-12th age group on the ARTSONIA Art Website for the last week in February. Though she didn't win, Scylar received 154 votes!



While working on a unit focusing on portrait drawing and Leonardo da Vinci, the Art II classes went on a scavenger hunt throughout the school looking for items that have been inspired by da Vinci's inventions. Many teachers helped out by posting pictures on their doors (i.e., anatomical drawings, architecture, a helicopter, tank, etc.) The students took "Selfie's" with the items, and will be drawing self-portraits based on the photos with the da Vinci inspiration incorporated in the background. This cross-curricular excursion was designed to enhance the students' understanding of the impact Leonardo da Vinci made in art, history, and our world today.



LIBRARY

Brain Awareness Week in LMC March 23 through April 3: We will be exploring the Myths, Mystery, and Malfunctions of the human Brain. There will be demonstrations, displays and movies related to the brain. Some important topics will be: Concussions, effects of drugs and alcohol on the brain, and how to train your brain to learn faster.

Athletics and Activities at Santa Fe Trail High School

Cold and snowy conditions have greeted our spring sports athletes again this season!! Hopefully, the sun and warm temperatures will not stay hidden, like they did most of last season.

WRESTLING

Santa Fe Trail traveled to Baldwin for Regional Wrestling on February 20th and 21st. Coming out of Regionals the Chargers were able to qualify 4 wrestlers for 4A State competition in Salina on February 27th and 28th. Those wrestlers were Bryce Erickson, Christian Davis, Jake Hastings, and Ethan Dean. It was one of the overall toughest state tournaments in many years according to Coach Regan Erickson. Santa Fe Trail had 3 medalists when all was settled on Saturday: junior Ethan Dean placed 2nd at 220 pounds, sophomore Jake Hastings placed 3rd at 285 pounds, and sophomore Bryce Erickson placed 3rd at 120 pounds. The trio are pictured below. Congratulations to these young men and to all who wrestled this year!



BOYS BASKETBALL

The boys' varsity team finished the season 5-7 in the Pioneer League and 6-14 overall. Their season continues with sub-state play at Chapman on March 5th and 7th. On February 26th, Weston Gloss was named the KSNT Scholar Athlete of the Week.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The varsity team finished the year 4-8 in the Pioneer League and 5-15 overall. The season continues with sub-state play at Chapman on March 6th and 7th.

DANCE TEAM

The practices and try-outs for the 2015-2016 Dance Team have been postponed. Information will be made available when a re-scheduled date and time have been determined.

CHEERLEADING

The practices and try-outs for the 2015-2016 Cheer Team have been postponed. Information will be made available when a re-scheduled date and time have been determined.

KAY



SFT was able to make complete Care Kits with the support of SFT students, staff & community. In the picture above, SFT KAY Delegates prepare to deliver Care Kits for children in need. KAY will sponsor a Blood Drive on March 12th in the SFTHS gymnasium. The Santa Fe Trail Community is encouraged to participate!!

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

The play, "The Election", will begin at 7:00 pm on Friday, March 27th and Saturday, March 28th. On Sunday, March 29th it will be held in the afternoon and begin at 2:00 pm.

BASEBALL

The Charger baseball team welcomed 34 athletes to their first practice. The junior varsity and varsity teams will see their first action on Thursday, March 26th against Osage City. 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 Monday, March 2nd. They have 20 team members. The varsity team will see their first action as they host Osage City on Thursday, March 26th. The junior varsity will kick off their season on Tuesday, March 31st when they travel to Prairie View, along with the varsity. All varsity and junior varsity home games are played at Jones Park in Carbondale.

BOYS GOLF

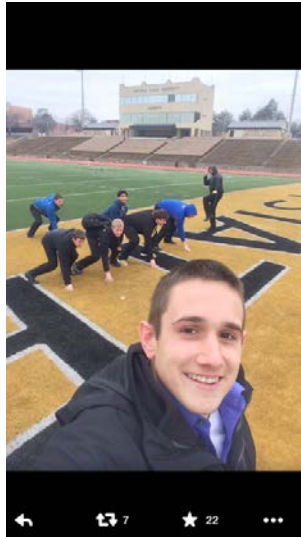
This season there are 11 boys out for the team. Their first competition will be at Burlington on Tuesday, April 7th.

TRACK

The Santa Fe Trail track team will see their first action on Thursday, April 2nd when they travel north to Silver Lake.

FBLA

Cody Vandevord was the winner of a “selfie” contest at the 2015 District 7 FBLA Conference held at Emporia State on Wednesday, February 4th. The contest was put on by the Dean of the School of Business. For his efforts, Cody won an IPAD mini. The winning picture is below followed by the SFT individual results for the conference.



2015 SFT-FBLA District VII Results

Second	Abendroth	Samantha	Banking and Financial Systems—Written Test
Second	Abendroth	Samantha	Banking and Financial Systems--Performance
Ninth	Abendroth	Samantha	Securities & Investments
First	Boyd	Dakota	Management Information Systems--Performance
Second	Boyd	Dakota	Management Information Systems--Written
Fifth	Bryant	Kayla	Client Services
Second	Capra	Anna	Sales Presentation
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Computer Problem Solving
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Cyber Security
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Economics
Second	Cersovsky	Zane	Help Desk—Written Test
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Help Desk—Performance
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Securities & Investments
First	Cersovsky	Zane	Networking Concepts
Seventh	Coltrane	Seth	Personal Finance
Fifth	Fannin	Conner	Securities & Investments
First	Foster	MacKinzie	Introduction to Business Communications
Fourth	Foster	Madelyn	Introduction to Business Communications
Third	Hill	Elizabeth	Ms. FBL—Written Test

Second	Hill	Elizabeth	Ms. FBL –Interview
Fourth	Hinck	Andrea	Business Calculations
Second	Hinck	Andrea	Personal Finance
Eighth	Hinck	Andrea	Health Care Administration
Second	Hug	Kyle	Banking and Financial Systems—Written Test
Second	Hug	Kyle	Banking and Financial Systems--Performance
Ninth	Hug	Kelsey	Introduction to Business
Third	Hug	Kyle	Mr. FBL—Written Test
Second	Hug	Kyle	Mr. FBL—Interview
Fifth	Hug	Kelsey	Parliamentary Procedures--Performance
Ninth	Hug	Kyle	Sports & Entertainment Management--Written
Ninth	Hug	Kyle	Sports & Entertainment Management--Performance
Second	Johnson	Keelie	Banking and Financial Systems—Written Test
Second	Johnson	Keelie	Banking and Financial Systems--Performance
Third	Koger	Cameron	Introduction to Parliamentary Procedures
Fifth	Koger	Cameron	Parliamentary Procedures--Performance
Ninth	Koger	Cameron	Sports & Entertainment Management--Written
Ninth	Koger	Cameron	Sports & Entertainment Management--Performance
Tenth	Masters	Kurstin	Desktop Publishing
Fourth	Masters	Kurstin	Hospitality Management--Performance
Fifth	Masters	Kurstin	Hospitality Management--Written
Second	McIver	Colin	Computer Problem Solving
First	McIver	Colin	Management Information Systems--Performance
First	McIver	Colin	Management Information Systems--Written
Tenth	Ralston	Sarah	Introduction to Business Communications
Fifth	Simpson	Caleb	Computer Problem Solving
Fourth	Simpson	Caleb	Hospitality Management--Performance
Fifth	Stumpff	Carson	Introduction to Parliamentary Procedures
Fifth	Stumpff	Carson	Parliamentary Procedures--Performance
Ninth	Vandevord	Cody	Economics
Tenth	Vandevord	Cody	Securities & Investments
Fifth	Watkins	Layne	Parliamentary Procedures--Performance
Ninth	Watkins	Layne	Sports & Entertainment Management--Written
Ninth	Watkins	Layne	Sports & Entertainment Management--Performance