

**SANTA FE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2018**

1. GEMINI PROJECT

Here is the latest:

- a. During the week of March 5, each teacher was handed a copy of how Monday, April 2 will look, the students they will supervise, their role in the day, and what 2018-19 might look like.
- b. On Thursday, March 8 during the faculty meeting will be discussed any follow up questions from the staff.

2. HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT CONFERENCES

The high school is starting to wrap up their enrollment conferences for the 2018-19 school year. There are still a few to do but the end is in sight.

3. THE NEW BUILDING AT SFT

- a. Usage:
 1. Storage for band equipment stored currently in the electrical room plus other larger items that are not temperature sensitive.
 2. Play/musical flats, props, and equipment.
- b. Size 24 ft by 36 ft
- c. Construction plan:
 1. Pour the concrete some time prior to August
 2. When student return in the August, begin building the structure.
- d. Cost Estimates
 1. Materials for just the structure: \$9,100
 2. Concrete: \$4,300 (We are still getting bids on this. It could change.)

4. FIFTH ANNUAL SANTA FE TRAIL GREEN TEAM E-WASTE RECYLCING

The Santa Fe Trail Green Team will hold its 5th annual e-waste recycling event on Saturday, May 5th from 10 am to 2 pm. Items can be dropped off at the high school in the east parking lot during those hours and will be accepted **until the truck reaches its capacity.**

This is a free service to promote responsible recycling of electronic components. This year there will be **ONE** item that the company will ask you to **pay** to recycle and that is **any TV other than a flat screen.** The fee for that will be \$15 to cover the extra expense of recycling this type of equipment. Basically if it plugs in to an outlet it can be recycled at this event. For more information contact Shelly Robinson at srobinson@usd434.us

4. VIETNAM VETERAN TO VISIT SFT

I, Mr. Staab, am excited to announce that John Musgrave who is one of the major figures in Ken Burn's documentary about the Vietnam War will be coming and speaking with my class on Tuesday, March 13th. Here is a link about Mr. Musgrave.

<http://www.kansascity.com/entertainment/tv/article172146272.html>

5. THE FOURTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

A Cultural Exchange based on everyone's favorite subject-FOOD!

In a cross-curricular endeavor involving Emma Fernandez (Spanish), Mary Burgett (Family & Consumer Science/FCS), and Doreen Seely-Francis (Art), Santa Fe Trail hosted its 4th Annual International Night on February 27th. It is a joint effort to develop cross curricular activities, promote global appreciation, and offer another avenue for student interests. This yearly event is a fun, casual evening allowing our students to learn about diverse cultures through food! Students made new or favorite international foods to share, created displays about the food and corresponding country's culture, and tried dishes from other countries. It was a great night of food and fun!



FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT

ARTWORK PUBLISHED

Two seniors from Santa Fe Trail High School had their artwork chosen to be published in the Kansas Art Educator (KAEA) 2018 Membership Directory. Only 33 pieces were chosen

from around the state, and Shaylee Meier and Abby Scheideman both received that honor. Congratulations to you both!



The Sound of Music
by Shaylee Meier



Reverberation
by Abby Scheideman

YOUTH ART MONTH

March is Youth Art Month (YAM). The program emphasizes the value of art education for all children. In Kansas, pieces chosen will be on display at the Alice Sabatini Gallery, Topeka Public Library, from March 14-April 29th.

Teachers who are members of Kansas Art Educators Association (KAEA) are also allowed to enter one student's artwork into a Sargent Art Youth Art Month Contest for a possible scholarship and prizes. These will be announced at the awards reception on April 29th. The student chosen to represent Santa Fe Trail was Shaylee Meier with her charcoal representation of a football player entitled "Friday Night Lights". Congratulations Shaylee!



And last, but not least, a copy of Shaylee's piece will also be on display at the National YAM booth at the National Art Education Association Convention in Seattle, Washington later this month! It is one of only 25 pieces chosen to represent our state. Don't forget to visit the Sabatini Gallery at the Topeka Public Library between March 14th and April 29th to see it in person!

Athletics and Activities at Santa Fe Trail High School

Wrestling

Santa Fe Trail traveled to Holton for Regional Wrestling on February 16th and 17th. The Chargers qualified 7 wrestlers for 4A State competition in Salina on February 23rd and 24th. Those wrestlers were Christian Rowe, Carter Greenfield, Caleb Jeanneret, Will Rhoades, Caleb Harmes, Conner Ridgeway, and Evan Dean. Santa Fe Trail had 1 state medalist this year and that was a sixth place finish by Evan Dean at 285 pounds.

Boys Basketball

The boys' varsity team finished the season with a 2nd place finish in the Pioneer League with a record of 8-4 and they were 14-8 overall. The Chargers season came to an end at Hayden when they lost to the Wildcats in the sub state championship game. The junior varsity ended the season with a record of 10-9 and the C team finished 17-1 on the year.

Girls Basketball

The varsity team finished the year 7-5, good enough for 3rd place in the Pioneer League, and 12-9 overall. Their season ended with Sub-State play at Hayden High School on March 1st when the Lady Chargers lost to state bound Hayden, 59-52. The junior varsity ended the season with a record of 11-8 and the C team finished 11-3 on the year.

Dance Team

The practices and try-outs for the 2018-2019 Dance Team are scheduled for the week of March 12th and the actual try-out is scheduled for Thursday, March 15th at the high school.

Cheerleading

The practices and try-outs for the 2018-2019 Cheer Team are scheduled for the week of March 12th and the actual try-out is scheduled for Thursday, March 15th at the high school.

Forensics

Santa Fe Trail High School Forensics is off to a GREAT start this year. The team has placed 1st in two tournaments already, including the Pioneer League tournament which was held at Prairie View High School. As you can see from the picture below, SFT is bringing home some hardware, and qualifying students for state!! Students use a wide range of performance skills to develop their talents in public acting, interpretation, and public speaking.



High School Play

The play, "The Pink Panther Strikes Again", will be at 7:00 pm on Friday, March 9th and Saturday, March 10th. On Sunday, March 11th it will be held in the afternoon and begin at 2:00 pm.



Baseball

The Charger baseball team has 30 athletes on their current roster. The varsity team will see their first action when they host Prairie View on Tuesday, March 27th. The junior varsity will kick off their season on Monday, March 26th at Prairie View. All varsity and junior varsity home games are played at Jones Park in Overbrook.

Softball

The Lady Chargers began practice on Monday, February 26th. They have 25 team members. The JV and Varsity teams will see their first action when they host Prairie View on Tuesday, March 27th. All varsity and junior varsity home games are played at Jones Park in Carbondale.

Boys Golf

This season there are 14 boys out for the golf team. Their first competition will be at Burlington on Tuesday, April 3rd. SFT will host our home varsity tournament on Tuesday, April 17th at Hidden Springs Golf Course, starting at 1:00 pm.

Track

The Santa Fe Trail track team will see their first action on Thursday, March 29th when both the JV and Varsity travel north to Silver Lake. There are 62 athletes that are currently out for track. This, year, SFT will be the host site of the Pioneer League Track Meet on May 10th starting at 3:30 pm.