

**SANTA FE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
FEBRUARY 2017**

**Enrollment Conferences for 2017-2018**

The high school has fully started their student lead enrollment conferences. If all goes well, they will be completed by Spring Break.

**FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT**

**INTERNATIONAL NIGHT**

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

In a cross-curricular endeavor involving Emma Fernandez (Spanish), Mary Burgett (FACS), and Doreen Seely-Francis (Art), Santa Fe Trail will host its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual International Night. This event will be a casual evening where American students can learn about diverse cultures and International students have a chance to share their culture and learn more about ours. Students will bring their favorite international food to share, and try dishes from other countries. To try a dish, students must bring one to share. International Night will be held in the Art Room on Tuesday, February 28th, from 6:30-7:30.

**SCIENCE**

Ms. Robinson's Energy Science class has had the privilege of visiting with two guest speakers from Westar in the past couple of weeks. Paul Lira shared valuable insights into the skills necessary to secure a job within the energy industry as well as the vast opportunities available to our students who will be entering the workforce within the next two to three years. As always we want to thank Paul for his time and sharing his experiences in the industry with our students.

Our second guest speaker, Tim Vice, shared with the class the necessity of good writing skills in regard to their resume. Tim stressed to the class that the first opportunity a potential employer has to meet them is through their resume and the importance of that document to them getting an interview. Attention to details when preparing a resume should be a key focus for students entering not only the energy industry, but any career.

In addition to valuable information pertaining to getting that first interview, Tim shared information about his particular role at Westar in using UAVs, or drones, to inspect various components in the industry to ensure reliable service to customers by locating areas along the powerlines that may need repairs in order to avoid any disruption in service should that component fail.

The energy science class is fortunate to have individuals in our communities that are passionate about sharing their knowledge in an effort to give our students the best opportunity to be successful. Thanks Paul and Tim.





### **FROM MR. TERRY**

#### **Play Announcement: (Cast of Characters Attached)**

I am very excited to announce the 2017 Santa Fe Trail Spring Play.... Peter Pan! We have a newly invigorated drama crew in the halls at SFT and I wanted to do a play that accommodated the student bodies desire to act on stage! The students, teachers, administration and community will be whisked away to a place where creativity flourishes, fun and games are on the curriculum and everyone can be a kid again!

This inventive remix takes Peter and his mischievous fairy sidekick, Tinkerbell, to visit the nursery of the Darling children late one night and, with a sprinkle of pixie dust, begin a magical journey across the stars that none of them will ever forget. In the adventure of a lifetime, the travelers come face to face with the villainous FEMALE Captain Hook and her band of lady pirates.

The cast will feature around 28 of our wonderful kids! My Technical Theatre course is working very diligently on a Marketing Project that will hopefully pack the house every night

and like Never(land) before!  
remembered forever!



I want this to be a performance that will be

#### **Cast of Characters**

Mrs. Darling: Audrey Ward

Mr. Darling: Carson Stumpff

Nana The Dog: Tori Kerschenske

Wendy: Taylin Berckefeldt

Peter: Hunter Maichel

Tinkerbell: Alyx Smith

### **The Lost Boys**

Tootles: Calvin Young  
Nibs: Otis Costlow  
Curly: Tristan Shepard  
Slightly: Sam Rhoades  
The Twins: Noah Knight and Ian Jamison

### **The Pirates**

Hook: Greta Costlow  
Smee: Kylee Burgoon  
Cecco: Amanda Jones  
Skylight: Audrey Ward  
Silence: Tori Kerschenske  
Starkey: Kali Drake

### **The Gypsies**

Tiger Lilly: Savannah Hinck  
Prince Nicu: Andrew Berckefeldt  
Toma: Marisa Stork  
Radu: Bailey Shepard

### **Specials**

The Narrator: Carson Stumpff  
Jane: Kenzie Hoss  
The Scene Change Fairies: The Quad Squad (Madelyn Foster, Sarah Ralston, Breanna Adams, Tara Turner)  
Peters' Shadow: Blythe Long

## **Athletics and Activities at Santa Fe Trail High School**

Basketball, Wrestling, Scholars Bowl, and Forensics continue to be in full swing for this winter season. With that said, the spring sports season is just around the corner with practices starting on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Be sure your student athlete has their physical, district activity form and concussion form completed and turned in. They must also have completed an on-line concussion education program (more information below). There will be a High School Spring Sports Parent Meeting on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the high school gym.

### **Basketball**

The Santa Fe Trail boys and girls basketball teams have had a tough slate of action this season. During the week of January 16<sup>th</sup> both teams participated in the Royal Valley Tournament where the girls went 0-3 and the boys went 1-2. Senior night will be held on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> when we host Burlington. SFTHS will host a basketball sub-state on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup>. Boys games will be on Thursday and girl's games on Friday. The

championships will be played on Saturday. The first game of each night will begin at 6:00 pm. The winners will then advance to state to be held at Lee Arena in Emporia the next week.

### **Wrestling**

Santa Fe Trail will host the Pioneer League wrestling tournament on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 3:00 pm. Santa Fe Trail will then host Regionals on February 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Those wrestlers who place 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> at Regionals will then go on to state competition at the Bicentennial Center in Salina on February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. SFT wrestlers who are currently ranked in Class 4A are: Aaron Buterakos – 6<sup>th</sup> at 106, Christian Davis – 3<sup>rd</sup> at 113, Bryce Erickson – 2<sup>nd</sup> at 145, Evan Dean – 6<sup>th</sup> at 220, and Jake Hastings – 5<sup>th</sup> at 285. As a team Santa Fe Trail is ranked #8 in Class 4A.

### **Dual Sport Participation**

There has been some interest from students who would like to participate in 2 sports during the spring season. Below is the Board policy on this issue:

Students may participate in two sports during one season, with approval from the coaches of both sports. In addition, a parent meeting with the coaches and athlete will occur prior to the season beginning. Next, two sport athletes are expected to begin their dual sports on the same day. If they do not, the days missed will be considered to be unexcused. After two unexcused absences from one sport, they will no longer be able to participate in both sports.

### **Scholars Bowl**

Our Scholars Bowl team will travel to Wamego on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> for Regional action. State Scholars Bowl will be held on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Forensics**

The Forensics Squad got off to a great start to the 2017 season with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place team finish at the McClouth Invitational on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. This Saturday, they will travel to Rossville.

### **Concussion Program**

Santa Fe Trail High School students who are planning to participate in sports/cheer/dance anytime during the 2016-2017 school year are required to attend a free Concussion In Sports on-line course prior to starting practices. Those students who are participating in spring sports will be required to have this process completed prior to the start of practice on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Those that have not completed this requirement by that time, will not be allowed to practice until they have it completed. This is a requirement by the Kansas State High School Activities Association Executive Board. Anyone can participate in these courses and many others offered by NFHS by going to [NFHSLearn.com](http://NFHSLearn.com). Once completed, you can either print off your certificate or take a photo of it for proof of completion. Again, this is a requirement for any student who plans to participate in sports/cheer/dance during the 2016-2017 school year.

Any of the following online courses are recommended by the KSHSAA and the KSHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee for coaches, student-athletes and school administrators to meet the concussion and head injury education requirement:

Concussion in Sports ([www.NFHSLearn.com](http://www.NFHSLearn.com)) approximately 45 minutes

\*Concussion for Students ([www.NFHSLearn.com](http://www.NFHSLearn.com)) approximately 30 minutes

\*ConcussionWise, athlete version ([www.sportsafetyinternational.org/cw-athlete-course/](http://www.sportsafetyinternational.org/cw-athlete-course/))

ConcussionWise, coach version ([www.sportsafetyinternational.org/cw-coach-course/](http://www.sportsafetyinternational.org/cw-coach-course/))

CDC Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports (<http://usafootball.com/health-safety/concussion-awareness>)

\*Course content designed for student-athletes.