

Sabetha High School
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December 11, 2017, BOE Report

Our school is deeply touched by the caring condolences, and many acts of kindness that have occurred over the past several weeks to honor the Ukele family and the Sabetha community. I would like to extend a special thanks to the staff, students, and community for the extra support that has been given to help us with the healing process.

Congratulations to the football coaches and team on their 3A State Championship Title at Hutchinson with a score of 7-6. It was a very exciting game until the very last second and a great accomplishment. In addition, congratulations to Coach Michael and Elliot Strahm for being named by Sports in Kansas as the 3A Coach of the year, and Defensive Player of the Year.

Congratulations to Miss Shawna Bitts on completing her teaching degree in science from Washburn University. She did a great job with her student teaching assignment, and we look forward to having her join our teaching staff for Semester 2.

Please help me welcome, Mr. Wyatt Maurer, who will be student teaching with Mr. Bauerle for S2.

Upcoming Events

- 12.8.17 - Early Release - 1:45
- 12.8.17 - SHS BB vs ACCHS (Cheer dance @ half-time) - 4:30
- 12.9.17 - ACT Testing at SMS - 8:00 am
- 12.9.17 - Wrestling Dual at SHS - 9:00 am
- 12.11.17 - SHS Band/Vocal Concert - 7:00 pm
- 12.14.17 - Wrestling vs Holton at SHS - 6:00 pm
- 12.15.17 - Sadie Hawkins Dance - 8:00 pm
- 12.19.17 - End of S1

Katie Topp - Band

The SHS band is working on preparing a lot of new pep band repertoire in addition to rehearsing pieces for our winter concert on Monday December 11th.

We “premiered” one new pep tune (“Mickey”) at the Thursday home game, and we hope to have a couple other new tunes ready for the game on the 8th. Some of the new songs we added to our folders this year include “House of the Rising Sun”, “Dream On”, “Give Up the Funk”, “What I Like About You”, and “Great Balls of Fire.”

The concert pieces we are preparing for the winter concert include “The Holly and the Ivy”, an arrangement of “Blue Christmas”, “Patapan”, and the traditional Spanish carol “Fum Fum Fum.”

Brian Cole - Physical Science, Chemistry, Physics, Student Council



Physical Science - The students have been spending time learning and applying the laws of motion.

Chemistry - The students are comparing the types of chemical bonding and will soon learn how to name most inorganic chemicals.

Physics - The students are studying the relationships between work and energy.

Appleseed Innovation Grant Update - I have unpacked all the drones and set-up an organized storage/charging system in a charging cart that was purchased using departmental Highland funds. I am working on naming each drone so they will be easily identified by students when using them. I plan to finish work on a couple activities by break and then use them with students once we get back from winter break.

Student Council - The council have been finalizing plans for the Sadie Hawkins Dance which will be on Dec. 15th. They are also working on selling candy canes as a fundraiser. These candy canes will later be delivered by a Santa Claus and an elf to help boost the spirits of the student body. They are also beginning plans for King & Queen of Hearts which will occur in February.

Briana Evans--School Counselor

As semester 1 draws to a close, we are beginning the plans for our first academic lettering ceremonies scheduled for Friday, 1.12.2018, at 2:45PM (WHS) and Tuesday, 1.16.2018, at 11:12AM (SHS). The funding for the chenilles and stars was provided by the Appleseed Grant available through the USD 113 Foundation.

The SHS 9-11 students are also "organizing" their Individual Plans of Study to prepare for their student-led conferences. These will be held on Monday, 2.5.2018, and Wednesday, 2.7.2018. The students have been provided a script but are free to modify it as their IPS dictates. Jay Time advisors are working with the students to prepare for their conferences.

Nate Bauman - Business/Technology

Web Page students are nearing completion of the redesign of the 100+ SHS web pages, please check them out at <https://usd113.org/pages/shs/default.html>

Entrepreneurship students have visited with Loren Edelman of Edelman's Lumber and Amy Keim of Mom+Camera over the last month. They are also working to complete their own business plans.

Accounting students are just about to wrap up the complete accounting cycle for a sole proprietorship and will then be playing a little "Accounting Monopoly"!

Interactive Media students will be participating in "Hour of Code" activities over the next couple of weeks to try to encourage our students to explore programming as a career option.

The girls basketball season is off to a good start with Varsity starting off 1-1, JV 2-0 and Freshmen 1-0. We will be home against ACCHS on Friday followed by road contests at Nemaha Central and Jefferson West before the Christmas Break. The girls also continue to do a great job of giving back to our community by running our biddyball program that concludes with a tournament on December 16th.

Debbie Garber-Drama/Forensics

This time of year the drama department is transitioning from musical season to forensics/play season. *Hello Dolly* was a great success and we appreciate all the board and community support of our productions. Forensics competition will begin on January 27th with the Sabetha Invitational. Sabetha students do not compete at this tournament but is a great time to observe the competition for the



season. Our first meet will be Feb 3rd at Nemaha Central. Auditions for the spring play will be the last week of January as well. Production dates are April 13 and 14.

Adam Aadalen - Vocal Music

All SHS vocal groups are rigorously preparing their pieces for our winter concert on Monday December 11th. Pieces to look forward to include Sleigh Ride, Silent Night, White Christmas, our ending tradition piece Lo, How a Rose, plus other exciting, fun performances.

Infinity and Odyssey will be caroling Thursday, December 7th at United Bank and Trust. They will also be caroling at the hospital next Thursday, December 14th. Following the concert, we will begin discussions for our variety show that takes place at the end of January.

Lastly, Mrs. Topp and I have begun discussions of a combined trip with Band, Odyssey, and Infinity to take place next school year in the spring of 2019. We are almost certain that St. Louis is our destination, and we look forward to planning lots of great experiences for the students.

Lisa Suhr - Scholars Bowl

Junior Varsity scholars bowl competition season is wrapping up with the last meet on Saturday, 12/9 at Hiawatha. Varsity will continue to compete through mid-February. Practices continue one day a week before school and one day a week after school. The Scholars Bowl team also participated in the Hour of Code project for Computer Science in Education Week on December 5, 2017 by using one after school practice to learn more about computer science and coding with the Dash and Dot robots! At least one team member plans to study Computer Science when they continue their education after SHS!

Pam Walker - Family and Consumer Science

40 dozen cookies have been baked for the United Bank & Trust's open house by the Culinary Essentials Class.

Consumer and Personal Finance students have been studying about the use of credit.

Foundations of Early Childhood Education students are creating holiday games to share with preschoolers and kindergarteners during our last visit of the semester.

Aaron Frey—Social Studies

World History-Freshmen are currently working on individual projects that they will present in class next week. They are covering the topics of industrialization, nationalism, mass society, and democracy. Students will also take their formative assessment before the break.

U.S. History-Classes are currently in the middle of the Great Depression/1930's Unit. Students will take their assessment over the unit next week. They will also take their formative assessment before the break.

Mr. Bauerle- Agriculture Education

Students have been working on speeches in Intro to Agriculture that many will be using to compete with at the Northeast district FFA speech contest. We will also be taking a team to the Kansas State



University speech contest. The Animal Science class is currently working on their meats unit where they have been conducting a blind meat taste test. They cook a specific type of meat in its raw form and also a type of recipe for the meat and come up with questions for five female and five male test subjects. The Plant and Soil Science class has been working on the greenhouse and preparing for our plants to arrive in February and March. The FFA rituals senior and freshman team were honored to win the Northeast District Contest making us eligible for state. This win will be our fourth time to compete at state making Sabetha the only school in Northeast Kansas to do so. We competed against 18 different schools which was the largest rituals contest in Northeast District history. Fruit sales will be delivered on December 7th, and the chapter sold over \$20,000 worth of product this year.

Liz Badertscher - Algebra 1, Pre-Algebra, Math Lab

Algebra 1 - Students are wrapping up their work on linear equations by graphing linear equations in slope-intercept form to create a stained glass window effect. The students had to follow criteria of graphing 15 lines representing the four different types of slope and demonstrate that they understand how to find slope and y-intercepts from an equation and from ordered pairs. When the students are finished with this project they will complete a reflection over the skills they practiced. Algebra 1 students will be preparing for the semester Final next week and reflecting on the goals they have met throughout the semester.

Pre-Algebra - Students are finishing a unit on exponents and scientific notation. They will be preparing for the semester Final next week and reflecting on the goals they have met throughout the semester.

Math Lab - Students are reviewing the concept of proportions and unit rate. They are applying these concepts to making a scale drawing of themselves based on measurements of their height, arm length, leg length, foot length, and hand length.

All 9th and 10th grade students have completed the aMath Winter Screening and are working to complete the aReading screening. When all the tests are finished the Math and Reading Intervention groups will be meeting to discuss and reflect on the interventions used this past semester and how we want to change/prepare for the spring semester.

