

## Prairie Hills USD 113 **Wetmore Academic Center**



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## Building Report October 2018 BOE Meeting

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**Homecoming:** Homecoming week was September 10-14. The cheerleaders planned a week of activities and the homecoming game was played against Blue Valley.

**Football Parent's Night:** Parent's and FB student athletes will be recognized at Parent's Night on Friday, October 5. This is also "Pink Out" night to raise awareness in the fight against breast cancer.

**OTL Volleyball Tournament:** Our Middle School league volleyball tournament will be Saturday, October 6, at Frankfort.

**TVL and Regional Cross Country:** Our Cross Country league meet will be Thursday, October 11, at Axtell. Regional Cross Country meet will be Saturday, October 20.

**TVL, Regional and Sub-State Volleyball Tournament:** Our High School league volleyball tournament will be Saturday, October 13, at Washington County. Regional volleyball tournament will be Tuesday, October 16, and Sub-State volleyball tournament Saturday, October 20.

**ESU Math Contest:** Mrs. Strathman will be taking six students to the ESU Math Contest on Wednesday, October 24. Three students are competing in Algebra and three students are competing in Geometry.

**Parent/Teacher Conferences:** Parent/Teacher Conferences will be Wednesday, October 17, 5:00-8:00 pm and Thursday, October 18, 7:00am-2:00 pm and 4:00-8:00 pm. (No School on Friday, October 19)

**SADD:** Our SADD chapter began our mentor program (Cardinal Kiddos) in which high school SADD members are paired with elementary students and meet twice each month before school. The focus of this program is on building positive relationships, making good decisions, and character education.

**Wetmore Academic Society:** The Wetmore Academic Society will host their annual Spookfest for K-5 students the afternoon of October 26.

**Anti-Bullying Month:** October is "Anti-Bullying Awareness Month" and by joint resolution, the Kansas State Senate and the Kansas State Board of Education, have declared the first full week in Kansas as "Anti-Bullying Awareness Week." The dates are October 8-14 and this year's theme is "Choose Respect." SADD, StuCo, and Honor Society organizations will be leading activities throughout the month and week to address bullying and support the schools anti-bullying policies.



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**Guest Speaker:** Wetmore School students, grades 8-12, attended a presentation from author and speaker Kevin Hines on Monday September, 17, 2018, at the Sabetha Middle School auditorium. Mr. Hines presents to audiences on suicide awareness and prevention. His mission and hope is to spread awareness and understanding regarding mental health and wellness. During his time with students Hines will share his personal story as a way of fostering hope to those impacted by mental illness and difficult life circumstances. If you would like to know more about Mr. Kevin Hines and his message, please visit www.kevinhinesstory.com.

**KSDE Annual Conference:** USD #113 Sabetha and Wetmore Schools were invited to the annual KSDE Conference to present their work in the Individual Plans of Study (IPS) on October 16. We are one of seven school districts in the state to be selected for the success showcase. We will represent the IPS Results component of the KESA process and set up a booth to share our work with other districts throughout the state. Those attending are Mr. Evans, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Gatz, Mr. Glynn, and Mr. Schnacker.

MTSS: Grade level groups met at the last PLC (Professional Learning Community) and determined needed Tier support in Reading and Math and formed intervention groups. Interventions are in place and teachers and instructional staff will begin implementing progress monitoring of these groups. We will also begin looking deeper into our behavioral/social emotional data to determine needed individual support in the area of social-emotional learning. I would like to thank the BLT, teachers, instructional staff, Mrs. Gatz, and the TASN Team for their diligent work to help prepare us for implementation.

**Advisory:** Grades 6-12 Advisory is underway and is designed to focus on Individual Plans of Study and Career Cruising. We continue to meet once a month. Mrs. Evans has formed an IPS Student Ambassador Team for grades 9-12. This team will meet with Mrs. Evans once a month with the purpose of assisting their class in the IPS Process. I would like to extend a huge Thank You to Mrs. Evans for all she does for our students.