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Newsletter

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Superintendent's Letter

Priority Area #1 (Teaching and Learning):

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) recently released the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP 6) metrics and the Annual Performance Review (APR) scores for all the school districts in Missouri. Our 82.5% APR is the 2nd highest in our Show-me Conference and in the top 26.4% in the state of Missouri! We are very pleased with this result and thankful for all of the hard work from our teachers, students, and parents!

Priority Area #2 (Collaborative Culture/Staffing): As of March 1st, we are at 512 total Facebook posts. Compared to February of 2022, our elementary building saw a 300% increase, our JH/HS saw a 78.6% increase, and our Central Office saw a 0% increase.

I am excited to announce the following new items to address our collaborative culture/ staffing priority:

- We will have our first (Administrative Council/District Council (AC/DC) meeting on Tuesday, March 28th. AC/DC is a committee consisting of district administrators and district program directors created to review, revise and relay pertinent information, processes and procedures within the district.
- On April 13th, a representative from OSBA (Ozark Schools Benefits Association) is slated to speak to our staff about our insurance options and benefits.
- For our April professional development day, we have a representative from PSRS (Public School Retirement Systems) scheduled to speak to our staff about the retirement benefits, and Lysha Thompson, a youth service consultant, will speak about free digital educational resources.

Priority Area #3 (Funding/Facilities):

4 Week Recap:

- Drywall at the high school connector is anticipated to be installed next week after the structural metal stud inspection is complete. Pending completion of the inspection, drywall painting is anticipated to be completed within 2 weeks.
- The installation of the exterior metal wall panels began at the high school connector and interior expansion joint systems were installed.

Outlook

- The exterior high school canopy is anticipated to be on site in early April
- Fire Alarm system installation may also take place during Easter Break from 4/7–4/11.
- Painting of drywall will proceed.
- Doors & Frames installation will proceed for interior doors. Exterior Doors & Frame may be installed depending on the delivery date of the frame.
- Exterior canopy may be installed depending on its delivery date.
- The final brick stain work is anticipated to be completed.

Respectfully Submitted by, Dr. Jeff Jennewein

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February Board Minutes

The Cole R1 School District met on February 16th. Under new business, a motion was made and approved to purchase a metalworking machine for our career and technical education program. Information regarding the 2022-2023 school calendar, EOC testing, and updated policies were discussed.



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Art Show

The Show-Me Conference Art Show will be held at the Miller Performing Arts Center in Jefferson City April 20-28th.

Elementary Knowledge Bowl

The Elementary Knowledge Bowl teams for grades 3-6 competed March 15th at Lincoln University. The kids all did a great job and had a lot of fun. The 6th grade team took home 2nd place.









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Russellville Power Meet

What a great time at the Russellville power meet! We are so proud of these brave kids (and parents), many of whom have never seen or done anything like this. We loved every kid who came by for a fist bump or high-five saying, "Coach! I broke my record!" and every other one who needed a pep talk or encouragement if they didn't quite get what they wanted. The mental, emotional, and physical process of the weight room is where champions are made. What a great bunch of student-athletes!







State Academic Honors

Senior Cali Coombs has received "Honorable Mention" for the 2023 Missouri Scholars 100, sponsored by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals. Schools across the state nominated graduating seniors for recognition based on an "Academic Decathlon" of criteria including the following: a minimum GPA of 3.75, a minimum ACT score of 29 or ACT of 1280, be ranked in the top 10% of the class, and take high-level courses in math, science, English, and foreign language. Nominated students must also have excellent attendance, be an exemplary school citizen, and be involved in school activities. Congratulations, Cali!



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Jr. Beta

March 1 & 2, the Junior Beta members attended the State Jr. Convention in Branson. Projects included: photography, recyclable art, sculpture, jewelry, woodworking, painting, pottery, quilling, and living literature. Students also competed in Spanish and Math Academic testing. Adriana Crews placed 3rd in the Spanish testing and Cori Stewart placed 3rd in quilling. Both ladies qualify for Nationals which will be held in Louisville, KY this summer. Congratulations, ladies, and thank you to all members for your hard work and determination in creating such amazing projects.





Russellville Archery

The archery team competed in the State Archery Tournament March 16-18 in Branson. The elementary team took 3rd place in Bullseye out of 26 schools, bringing home a trophy. Kyler Oliver finished 4th in the state out of 452 competitors. In the 3D competition, the elementary school finished 5th out of 14 schools. James Ehrhardt finished 2nd out of 181 competitors. The middle school team took 6th out of 46 schools. Jacob Cook finished 4th out of 854 competitors and Kaylee Strobel finished 7th out of 629 competitors. The 3D team finished 11th out of 31 schools. The High School team finished 14th out of 48 schools in Bullseye, and 19th out of 40 schools in 3D. Congratulations on a great season!











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Important Dates

April 7-11— EASTER BREAK

May 10—Baccalaureate 7:00pm—JH/HS gym

May 12—Graduation 6:00pm— JH/HS football field (weather permitting)

May 17—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL—EARLY RELEASE at 12:30

SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS AND SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Sub bus drivers needed—Please contact Tina Weber at 573 -690-3256.

Substitute Teachers—The Cole County R-1 School District is in need of Substitute Teachers. Must have Substitute Certification from DESE. The pay is \$100 per day. The Cole County R-1 School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Download and print the Classified application from our website: coler1indians.socs.net. Or you may pick up an application at the Superintendent's office. Any questions, please contact Rachel Brizendine at 573-782-3534.