

#### Superintendent Update: May 16, 2014

Quote for the week: "Catch people doing something right. Tell everyone about it."—Kenneth Blanchard

#### News for the week:

Our school board met in regular session on Thursday evening, May 15<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was once again very busy but also very productive.



Clint Pevril was honored as the "Teacher of the Year" in Mountain Home Public Schools. Mr. Pevril was selected by his peers. I can personally say Mr. Pevril is one of the kindest and most dedicated professionals I have ever known. He always welcomes me to his class when I drop by! When Mr. Pevril was coaching Cross Country, he encouraged me greatly by always supporting the local 5K events. He and the kids were always around to encourage the more mature runners such as

myself. It was very normal for one of his students to finish and then run back to encourage other runners who were slower in finishing the race. I was very impressed by that. That tradition continues with Coach Blades and the athletes.

Pinkston Middle School spoke briefly to the board about their exciting experience. Most of you are aware of the Shannon Wright Outstanding Middle School Program award received by Pinkston last week. Congratulations to Ms. McWilliams, her fine staff, and the students of Pinkston Middle School. Thanks to all the other schools for showing support to Pinkston. We are a school system in which colleagues support one another.



Mountain Home High School and Mountain Home Junior High School presented their 2014-15 handbooks for approval. Thank you to those schools for working diligently to be prepared. Dr. Gigliotti also presented the Comprehensive District Handbook for approval.

Mr. Chentnik once again was prepared to present a band instrument bid proposal to the board. I really appreciate Mr. Chentnik being prepared each year to keep current with the needs of his band students. Thanks to Ann Harned for helping Tom prepare for the presentation.

### Mountain Home Public Schools 2013-2014



We have summer projects being prepared as well. The projects approved were: renovation of Nelson-Wilks-Herron Hallway B, HVAC in NWH gymnasium, renovation of restrooms at Junior High and asphalting a parking lot at High School.

This is such an exciting time of year! Our Bomber athletic teams are having a good showing in the state tournaments as of this writing. Good luck Bombers!

Here is a video about catching someone doing something right; even though it is in French you will understand the message: <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZvxK7PQ78I</u>

Have a great weekend everyone!

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Arkansas Week at Hackler: Mr. Pevril demonstrating pottery work to students.

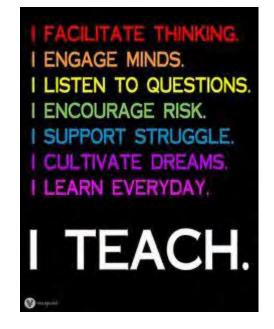


Honor Graduates Breakfast sponsored by Integrity First Bank



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#### Friday, May 16, 2014



- Exchange Form Principals will meet at their buildings with teachers on Monday, May 19 and/or Tuesday May 20. During this meeting principals will explain how to request for exchanging professional development and/or work for June 3-10.
- 2013-14 Professional Development Log of Hours Documentation is due June 2, 2014.
- Flex Day Form The flex day form is available. If you would like to request a flex day for 2014-15 school year, please complete the form and submit to your principal by June 3, 2014. Thank you.
- Application for Salary Schedule Advancement– The form is due August 19, 2014 for 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
- **Final Rules for Teacher Evaluation** LIC-14-040 the ADE Rules Governing Teacher Excellence and Support System are available. For the rules, please e-mail Dr. G.
- Teachers & Staff in Mountain Home to be Recognized June 3 The District wide luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 3 at each campus. Dr. Myers and I appreciate you all very much. The luncheon will be from 11:30-1:00 pm.

• Volunteer Policy 6.4 – Starting 2014-15 school year, volunteers will complete a background check. For a copy of the policy and handbook, please e-mail Dr. G. Training on the procedures for office staff, directors, and principals will be conducted in June. Training for volunteers will be held in August.

### **Upcoming Events**

May 19 – District Curriculum Committee Meeting CANCELED and RESCHEDULED to May 22 at 3:30 in the Central Office Board Room

- May 23 Graduation at Bomber Stadium 8:00pm
- May 27 Retirement Reception at 4:00pm in the Dunbar Lobby



### **Retirement Reception**

Tuesday, May 27th 4:00 p.m. Dunbar Lobby

**Congratulations!** 

James Ellis Lynn Kelsh Connie Ethridge Susan Hanley John Katrosh Everett Middleton Ben Williamson Anita King Dorothy Cook Sandra Shoras

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

C.S.Lewis

### **76th Annual Parent Member FFA Banquet**



Pictured are the STAR award recipients. Front Row Lt-Rt : Samantha Dewey – Star Discovery Degreee; Anna Fisher – Star Greenhand; Bree Cannon – Star Greenhand; Hunter King – Star Discovery Degree; Zac Norwood – Star Chapter Degree. 2nd Row Lt-Rt: Dr. Rob Conner – Outstanding Service; Carson White- Outstanding Junior; Bryce Rohr – Dekalb Award Outstanding Senior; Bodie Cotter – Star Chapter Degree.

Mountain Home FFA honored student, chapter and community accomplishments at the 76th Annual Parent Member FFA Banquet on Tuesday, May 13th . 163 members were recognized with Discovery Degrees, Greenhand Degrees, Chapter FFA Degrees, State and American (National) Degrees along with numerous outstanding awards for achievement in Career Development Events and agriculture proficiency areas.

# MHS FRENCH



French II students Hank Lawrence and Kat Binns teach elementary students how to say body parts in French.



Mrs. Christy Lawrence's high school French students worked in small groups to prepare short lessons about the French language to Mountain Home elementary students this spring.



French II student Olivia Darmody shares the French pronunciation of the alphabet with Mrs. Rowlett's kindergarten class.



THANKS TO ALL THE TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WHO SUPPORTED OUR FRENCH STUDENTS IN THIS PROJECT!

# Diamonds Are Forever...



Don't lose the opportunity to own these beautiful 1/3 carat diamond earrings

### FBLA Competitors and their Advisors will be traveling to Nashville for the FBLA National Conference

For every donation of \$10 made to FBLA, you will be eligible to win this beautiful set of earrings valued at \$300. Drawing will be held June 2. Mail your donation and chance to own these 1/3 carat diamond earrings. to MHHS FBLA, 500 Bomber Blvd., Mountain Home, AR 72653. Employees of Mountain Home Schools may send through interdistrict mail. All donations must be received by May 31..

A big THANK YOU to Porter's Pawn & Bargain Center

# Pinkston Middle School

Week ending May 16, 2014



### School Board Honors Pinkston 2014 Shannon Wright Award Winners



The Mountain Home School Board Honored Pinkston this week at the monthly board meeting for receiving the Shannon Wright Award for Excellence in Mid-Level Education. Teachers, students, and parents were present to receive the recognition.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Literacy/Social Studies Performances



Students from Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Drewry, Mrs. Krug and Mr. Ethridge performed plays depicting Ancient Greek culture. Students also enjoyed a "special performance" by their teachers.

Students from Mrs. Thomas' 6<sup>th</sup> grade literacy class read books and created plays for students at the kindergarten.



### **Transition Day Excitement**

On Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> grade students had an opportunity to visit MHJH.

At the junior high students met their 8<sup>th</sup> grade advisory teachers, learned about "the life of a junior high student", and even enjoyed performances by the band and cheerleaders.







Pinkston Middle School is a great place to be!

Post acts of kindness that you see or that you do #pinkstonkindness

Pinkston Middle School @Pinkstonmiddle

EAST at Pinkston @AdunavanEast

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Promise @deniselauerman

Pinkston Choir @Pinkstonchoir

DARE @mandeelove32

Pinkston Media Center @pmslibrary12

### **Upcoming Events for Pinkston Middle:**

May 19 – Promise Trip May 22 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade "Transition Trip" to Pinkston! May 28 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Government Day May 30 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Day June 2 – Last Day for Students



Watch for ways to support our OM kids heading to World Finals

## HACKLER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL WEEK ENDING 5-16-2014

Hackler's third graders celebrated our great state of Arkansas this week. The week was full of special visitors and activities.

Monday the celebration was about Agriculture Tuesday was centered around the Native Americans Wednesday's theme was to dress like a Senator Thursday students hiked David's Trail Friday was all about Pioneer Folk Art



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### **Hackler Intermediate School**

965 West Road, Mtn. Home, AR 72653 ~ Phone 425-1288 / Fax 425-1290

Principal: Sondra Monger

Asst. Principal: Kevin Roach Asst. Principal: Cassy Fowler



Counselor: Terry Berry Counselor: Kristyn Goodwin

May 15, 2014

Where Individual Learning Develops

### Around Our School

- School will be in session on Monday , May 26, 2014. This is one of our make up snow days.
- All Library books are due by Friday, May 16, 2014. Contact Mrs. Steiner or Mrs. Reding about lost books to get replacement cost.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade music program will be May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The first performance will begin at 5:30 pm for the following classes: Pope, Martin, Norcross, Hardin, Coddington, & Kincade. The second performance will begin at 7:00 for the following classes: Sherry, Madison, Strider, Penrose, Collins, & Belk.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE graduation will be May 20, 2014, at 7:00 pm in Dunbar Auditorium.
- Please pay lunch charges as soon as possible. Your child's lunch balance should be zero by the last day of school. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Debbie at Food Service, 425-1225.
- Last day of school is June 2nd.
- Report cards will NOT be handed out on the last day of school. They will be available to be picked up June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 19<sup>th</sup>. Report cards not picked up will be mailed on June 20<sup>th</sup>.





### Note from Nurse Wendy

- ⇒ If you have updated your child's immunizations, please bring in documentation for Nurse Wendy to update your records.
- ⇒ The "Growing Up"(video) is scheduled for the last week of May during your child's regular P.E. time. (5th Grade)
- $\Rightarrow$  All medication must be picked up before the last day of school. Any medication left will be disposed.



### Summer Opportunities

- \* Kicks n Flips—Summer Session
- 2nd Annual Junior Elite Volleyball Academy
  Mtn. Home Boy's Basketball Camp
- Salvation Army Week—Free week of fun May 21-25
- \* Ozark Football's Association 2nd Annual Free Football & Cheerleading Mini Camp Application and flyers are available in the front office.



### 2014 Carters Jewel Chest Mothers Day Portrait Contest Held at Hackler Intermediate!

1st row: Maddie Tharp (Kohler) Zoey Walker (Smith) Lexi Hammond (Gaston) Madison Caple (Cash) Josh Boelkens (Zwicker) Jackson Jones (Whiteaker) 2nd row: Grand Prize: Elise Ponder (Lawrence) Ashlyn Cordell (Lawrence) Faith Hilvert (Spivey) Alex Coyer (Paden) Michael Jonte (Wescoat/Lee)(not pictured) Ty Lawrence (Dibble) Kassi Lumley (Childress) Isaiah Kemp (Dwyer) Victoria Glenn (Johnson)



### NELSON-WILKS-HERRON

### Camping Fever

Do you remember what it was like to net for minnows or dig in the dirt for worms? For some of you maybe the answer was no, but for a group of second graders this is exactly how they spent an afternoon at school. After studying wildlife habitats, lake and river conservation, and ways we can keep our parks clean, Nelson Wilks Herron students in Pod 2A (Bell, Brewer, Hoffmann, and Kidd) participated in an afternoon of fun backyard camping activities. The time children spend outdoors is alarmingly low while during the summers they spend upwards of seven hours a day in front of a screen; iPad, TV, computer, etc. Parents, grandparents, community volunteers, and retired teachers helped students as they engaged in hands-on activities one can enjoy at our beautiful local parks and the outdoors. Some of these activities included digging for dinosaur bones, netting minnows, painting rocks, learning to cast a fishing pole, pretending to search the shore of our rivers and lakes for "treasures" by panning for gold, going on a scavenger bug hunt, picking up marbles with bare toes, and simply playing and relaxing in camping tents. The afternoon ended with a cook-out of hotdogs and s'mores. The teachers and students want to thank the Mountain Home Education Foundation for granting monies to go towards the backyard campout. We would also like to thank Wal-Mart for their donation of \$300, Harps Grocery Store for donating all the food items, and Allen Henderson of TLC Bank for allowing us to use their large grill! Naturally, the students claimed it was the best day EVER at school!! Join the National Wildlife Federation as they celebrate the Great American Backyard Campout on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and let's get our children back outside and enjoying the outdoors!





### <u>Panda Posters</u>







Ms. Brewer's  $2^{nd}$  grade class did research projects on pandas. Here are some of the creative posters her students made.

### Seeing Double?

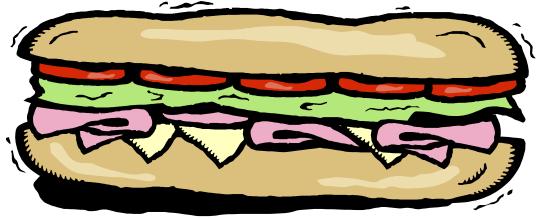
Well, if you come to NWH, you might! We have 12 sets of twins in our building this year. Eight sets of twins led the pledge at the school board meeting last night.



The following twins participated in the pledge (in alphabetical order):

Hadleigh Baker, Hannah Baker, Dylan Cullipher, Graham Cullipher, Andrew Dickinson, Joshua Dickinson, Payton Enloe, Annaleece Enloe, Matthew Howald, Micah Howald, Austin Meinshausen, Olivia Meinshausen, Amber Rossman, Isabella Rossman, Aiden Setzer and Brenton Setzer

### District Wide Luncheon June 3<sup>rd</sup> Please let Dr. Myers and Dr. G treat you to



### Lunch!

Sandwiches, chips and cookies will be served at your building on Tuesday, June 3rd. Happy Teacher and Staff Appreciation Day!

### MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Wall paper was stripped above cabinets and painting continues on the Alumni House on the Pinkston Campus. This will be a really nice building for the alumni to gather when it is completed. Carpet was replaced in the doorway entries at Dunbar.

Mike Walker met with the architect and engineer at the Auxiliary Services Buildings to make plans for renovating another building for the Operations and Maintenance Offices and warehouse. Painting continues in the Food Services offices but Debbie and Janet are hopeful of moving in real soon.

Harold Lawrence, David Hirsh and Mike Walker removed the plaques and are display for the walls in the lobby at Dunbar. The walls are being scraped for new painting to get ready to display the Teacher of the Year Award, the Richard Padget Award, and other art work.

Baldwin and Shell employees were here to work on a drain line in the science wing at the Senior High. The drain has been opened however, Baldwin & Shell employees will return after school is out to take up the floor to find out the cause of the stoppage.

Bids were opened and contracts let for the 2014-15 school year for pest and termite protection, gas line testing, fire extinguisher maintenance, fire alarm testing, and grease trap pumping.

Big Mike attended an asbestos seminar to renew his Asbestos Inspectors License. Mowing around all campuses continued in between rain showers. Many plumbing and air conditioning work requests were completed as well as delivering tables and chairs for various functions.

Have a GREAT weekend.

May 16, 2014