



Superintendent Update: August 23, 2013

Quote for the week: “Life is short! I learn to give not because I have much; it is because I know exactly how it feels to have nothing.”—Jim Sher

I believe in giving back. I also believe that there is a reason for everything I have today. I am thankful for what I have been blessed with. I know you are as well. We must consider how fortunate we are compared to so many others around the world. We have so many people who lend a helping hand to us in our schools and I am thankful for each one of them. Now it is time for each of us to find a way to give back and help others. If we give our best to the world around us it is likely that we will have the best come back to us.

We should always attempt to give our best to people. People can be different, difficult, or weird to us, but how we react to them is how we react to life. We can't let ourselves be drawn down by negativity. We must find ways to help and care for others and it does not have to be monetary care. There are many different avenues or ways to help others with no fear, no shame, and no regrets as long as the desire to help comes from our heart, and especially when it's the right thing to do. To receive the full blessing of giving, we should not expect anything in return when we help others; otherwise, it will not be call a helping hand.

One fundamental gift we can give others is a smile. Always share a smile even if people don't smile back. One will be acting from the heart and be a giver of Love if one can smile. That's what is most important.

Do what your heart desires in helping others. Don't hold back a thing and don't worry so much about what the others think, because in the end, what makes you happy in terms of giving to others is what matters the most.

News for the week:

My highlights this week were greeting students and parents during the morning hours. I even received multiple hugs from children this week. What a great job I have! I was amazed at the smiles and sweet spirit displayed by parents, children and school staff. The quality of life and the closeness we enjoy as a community are wonderful blessings.

We received our American College Testing (ACT) scores this week. I am very excited that Mountain Home students have once again exceeded the state and nation on average ACT scores. This data is significant in that we know our students are outperforming both the state and nation in college readiness preparation. This data also tells us that we are continuing to deliver instruction at a high level, validating the hard work of our teachers, support staff, and principals. We have room for improvement



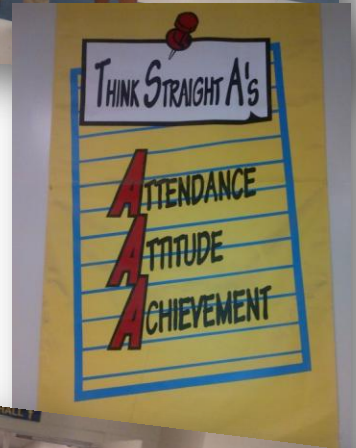
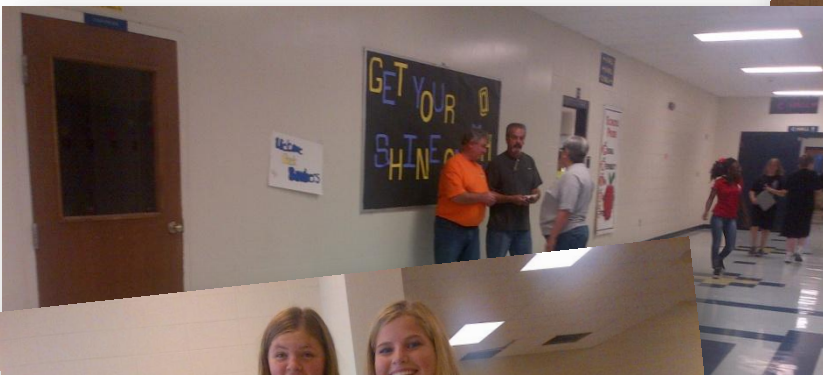
and our goal is to never be satisfied as long as there are any students not performing to a standard which will prepare them for a successful adult life.

Everyone come out to Bomberfest tonight. This is a great opportunity to once again revel in the quality of life we have in Mountain Home. I look forward to seeing our students and you as we celebrate the joys of living in our Mountain Home.

Have a great weekend.

Lonnie

What a great first week...



Champions for Kids SIMPLE Giving

Stop by your local Walmart and donate snacks for our kids!

Stop by your local Walmart and pick up snacks to donate at the purple donation bins between **Aug. 26—Sept. 8th.**

All donations will go directly to children in our school district.

This donation program is part of the non-profit Champions for Kids SIMPLE Giving program with Walmart to provide resources to children across America. For more information, go to championsforkids.org



Product Display



Donation Bin

#SIMPLEGiving

What is SIMPLE Giving?

From Aug. 26 - Sept. 8, customers at Walmart stores in Arkansas and southern Missouri will have the opportunity to donate snacks at purple in-store donation bins to support children in their local community as part of Champions for Kids SIMPLE Giving program. Walmart cashiers will have snacks at the register and will ask people if they'd like to purchase one (or several) to donate in the bins. Those donation bins will be collected by the school district where each Walmart store is located and distributed to children in the district, so all of the donations will help our local kids!



Champions for Kids makes it simple to give kids in your community the resources they need to thrive.

Champions for Kids, 26 West Center Suite, 215 Fayetteville, AR 72701 / 479.582.2008 / www.championsforkids.org / facebook.com/championsforkids / [@champions4kids](https://twitter.com/champions4kids)



Friday Focus

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Friday, August 23, 2013

GO BOMBERS!

**Our team of students, parents, staff, teachers and administration are #1!
Thanks for a successful first week of school. – Dr. G**





Assessment, Instruction, and Curriculum

***The following information was released to the media on August 20, 2013:
Preliminary Test Score Results Please Local School Officials:***

"These preliminary results are considered evidence of the hard work put forth by students, staff, and faculty," said Dr. Gigliotti, Assistant Superintendent.

According to a preliminary report released by the Arkansas Department of Education, Mountain Home Public Schools officials are pleased with the results. Dr. Gigliotti, Assistant Superintendent of Schools said, "After reviewing the preliminary results, we anticipate meeting our graduation rate for all students".

In addition to the preliminary report results, Mountain Home Public School officials are pleased with the Districts ACT Composite Score. The District ACT composite score of 22.1 ranks higher than the state composite score of 20.2.

The goals mandated by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, requires all students to meet the Annual Measurable Objective (AMO). Arkansas Districts are now accountable for Graduation Rate, Annual Measurable Objectives (AMO), Targeted Achievement Gap Group (TAGG), and accomplishing the status of "achieving". TAGG includes English Language Learners, Students with Disabilities, and Economically Disadvantaged Students. AMO and TAGG are determined by looking at where we were in 2011 (test scores) and using it as a baseline.

How is AMO determined? The 2011 test scores (percentage of proficient or advanced) is subtracted from 100, divided by 2, and then divided by six (6) years.

When learning about ESEA and AMO/TAGG, remember that our accountability has two sides which are performance and growth. The district and each campus must satisfy EITHER performance or growth to be ranked as "achieving". The figure determines the percentage increase needed each year to meet AMO.

Preliminary test score results will be reviewed by administration. Per Arkansas Department of Education (ADE), districts are not allowed to release preliminary test score results until final reports are available. Mountain Home Public Schools discovered discrepancies in the preliminary results. The District has 30 days to appeal corrections to ADE.

Every year, all school districts throughout Arkansas administer Benchmark Exams to assess students' mastery of literacy and mathematics. During 2014-15, Arkansas Department of Education will implement [The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers \(PARCC\)](#).



“We are extremely proud of our students’ academic achievements. Teachers have a deep commitment to excellence in education,” states Dr. Gigliotti, Assistant Superintendent.

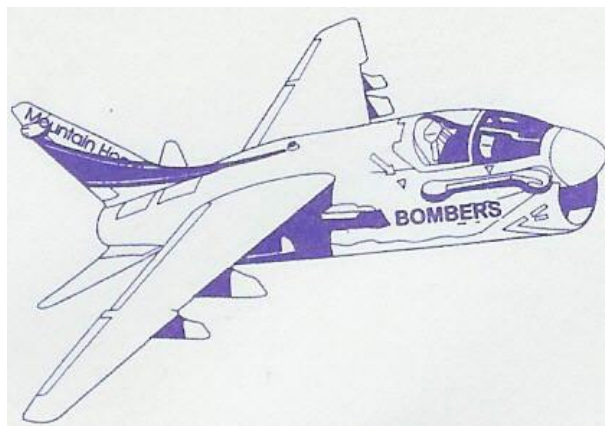
Personnel and Professional Development



Ms. Paula Halsted, Special Education Teacher with Mrs. Jill Czanstkowski at Mtn. Home Junior High. Welcome Ms. Halsted to the District and Mountain Home Junior High.

Save the Dates

Learning.com Training: Thursday, August 29 at 8:00 am in the Distance Learning Lab (DLL) at MHHS

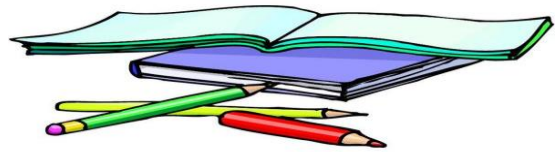


Curriculum

Darla Deatherage



CCSS Math Units:
<http://www.engageny.org/>



CCSS Literacy Units:
<http://www.achievingbychanging.com/>

CGI Participants:
Melissa Corp
Annette Kasinger
Christy King
Alice McLean
Lindsey Newton
Cathleen Roberson
Brandy Sallee
Kristin Seawright
Tiffany Stone
Mindy Williams
Rita Williams

ECM Participants:
Susie Adams
Pat Caldwell
Darla Deatherage
Lavon Fairchild
Tammy Goeke
Teresa Madison
Pat Markowski
Becca Martin
Christina Morris
Patty Osburne
Michelle Pope
Gianna Sherry
Bailey Whiteaker

CGI (Cognitively Guided Instruction) AND ECM (Extending Children's Mathematics)

CGI (K-3) and ECM (3-6) are an intricate part of the common core math standards (see pages 88-89 in the CCSS for math). Each is a three year programs that is designed to help teachers understand children's thinking and provides students with opportunities to mathematically think about problem situations and develop their own strategies. Students engaged in this program tend to have better fluency and higher cognitive understanding of mathematical practices. Therefore, they are able to better retain mathematical operations because they make sense to them. Each year, teachers spend 4 days of intense study of problem types and content during the summer. Then 2-3 days are spent during the Fall and Spring observing classrooms and discussing children's thinking. If you are interested in attending this program, I would encourage you to talk with one of the teachers that attended this summer. They are listed to the left. The co-op will provide training next year for both programs and we hope it will be in Mountain Home. Congratulations to the teachers who attended the program this summer for completing the first 4 days of Year 1.

Cheryl Gall will be here on August 26 and 27. She will be talking with your principal concerning strengths and challenges of your building. In addition, you may see her walking around getting the layout of the buildings. We will continue to have site visits and hub meetings each month. Days and times are to be announced at a later date. Her email is gall.cheryl@gmail.com if you need to talk with her or ask questions.

APSRC Newsletter: [Click here to read this newsletter](#)



TRAVELING WITH TRANSPORTATION

The new school year has started off better than we expected a new school year to start. We had very few students on the wrong bus or missing the shuttle to take them to their route bus these first few days. All of the bus drivers have been very patient, and the parents have been patient with us also of which we are most appreciative.

Janelle Arana has done a remarkable job getting information out to the buildings which will make it easier for our buildings to make sure students are on the right bus for the ride home. The packet sent to each building included bus lineups for the shuttles, which bus goes to a certain apartment complex, to various neighborhoods (i.e. Northern Hills) or to a certain location (i.e. WalMart). Hopefully, this will cut down on the number of calls the building secretary has to make to the Transportation office when a question arises. Janelle is an excellent addition to our staff. We want to thank the building principals, assistant principals, administrative assistants and teachers for getting the bus information out to the parents.

You may not be aware of this fact: we have 43 different bus routes. All students, except car riders, are bused to school. Approximately 2,000 students ride the bus every trip – one trip in the morning and one trip in the afternoon. Our buses travel about 2,344 miles every day to pick up students in the Mountain Home district.

Steve Gunter and Paul Bellnap, our mechanics, have again spent the summer getting our buses in top-notch shape for the school year. We have a fleet of 58 buses and with just two mechanics getting each bus ready is not an easy job.

Last school year we had no reportable accidents. This means we did not have any accidents where our driver was at fault or where we had major damage to any of our buses. We have had this safe driving record for several years in a row and are very proud of all our drivers. We look forward to being able to say this same thing about our driving record at the end of this school year.

We in Transportation wish each of you a GREAT 2013-2014 school year.

Also, the transportation department owes a BIG THANK YOU to Tammy Small at Central Office. At the last minute we sprung on her a list of drivers to be paid who had attended a State-mandated in-service. She, as she always does, graciously accepted this extra work so these drivers would have a paycheck on August 25.

August 23, 2013

MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Welcome back! As you will see as you read this maintenance has been very busy this past summer. Hopefully, we were able to make your building a little better place to work.

Over 135 work requests for painting (classrooms, offices, hallways, bathrooms) were completed by the paint crew consisting of Randy Cox, Nick Blevins, Beau Helmert, Austin Jones and Nick Wilhite. All carpets were shampooed throughout the district. All floors were stripped, sealed and re-waxed throughout the district.

The maintenance crew removed all commodes and stall partitions in both men's and ladies' restrooms at Dunbar; the same in the men's and ladies restrooms in the lobby at the Senior High gymnasium. The commodes and stall partitions were also removed in both boy's and girls' restrooms upstairs and downstairs at PMS and in the restrooms in the gym area at NWH. All the kitchen equipment (dishwashers, shelves, ovens, warming tables, fryers, etc) along with the hot water heater was removed so new epoxy flooring could be installed by an outside contractor. Then the maintenance crew re-installed all of these furnishings.

In removing the hot water heater, it was discovered it was leaking. So a new hot water heater was installed in the PMS kitchen after the floors were completed. Dual drinking fountains were installed at Kindergarten, PMS and Junior High.

The wheelchair swing was moved from Kindergarten to NWH. A concrete handicap accessible walkway (85 feet long x 5 feet wide) was poured from the building to the swing. The down spouts at Kindergarten were repaired and the area around the HVAC units was leveled. A berm was rebuilt around the north end of Kindergarten for better water shed.

Additional concrete was poured by Dilbeck Excavation around the back of PMS. This should help lessen the tracking in of dirt and mud into the building. The planters around Dunbar, PMS, NWH and in front of the gym at the Senior High were refurbished by our lawn crew. The cement area in back of Senior High was pressure washed.

The prisoners from Calico Rock came for three days and spread **six (6)** semi-truck loads of mulch around the playgrounds. Additional work was planned but the weather didn't cooperate. The 80 new trees which were planted throughout the district at the end of last year were watered weekly before the rains came. Rodney McGinnis used the 'water wagon' invented by Mike Armocido to travel the district watering these trees.

New HVAC units were installed by Central Heating and Cooling in B hallway at NWH. An outside brick layer repaired the brick work around these units then our paint crew followed with repainting. All the bookcases from the GB library were removed and re-installed in other areas throughout the district. The old carpet from this library was removed and new carpet installed. New carpet was also installed in the GB teacher's lounge, Officer Helmert's office and in the Senior High ensemble room.

The Junior High band storage area was remodeled and the band instructor's office was remodeled to accommodate two instructors. A custodian closet at the Junior High was converted to a teacher's bathroom. Jeff McLean removed the mop sink, broke out all the concrete flooring, then had to re-plumb for a commode (entirely different plumbing for

commode and sink), and run water line to other side of the room for a hand-washing sink. Then the concrete was re-poured, hand-washing sink installed and commode set. David Hirsh laid the tile. The outside block layer repaired the blocks where the vents had been run. Room was then repainted. All ramps at NWH were refurbished with non-skid tile. A hanging rack was built for the football field house at Senior High.

All filters on HVAC units (approximately 900 in the district) were changed as we are on a 3-month rotation. All condensers throughout the district were pressure washed. The wooded area behind Central Office was bush hogged as well as the Cross Country course.

Meyer Roofing installed a liquid coating roof on one building at the newly acquired property south of Pinkston. With the roof repaired we can start the remodel of this building which will eventually be home to the Food Service offices and warehouse and the USFirst robotic team.

70,000 pounds of rubber was installed by an outside contractor on the turf at the football field in Bomber Stadium. This will increase the G-Max rating which makes the field softer and hopefully prevent some injuries.

The maintenance crew unloaded two semi-truck loads (1,868 cases -- 9,340,000 sheets) of copy paper ordered for this school year. All our monthly inspections were completed each month and outside contractor inspected the sprinkler system at Hackler. All fire extinguishers throughout the district were inspected and the grease traps at each building were emptied.

The new PMS East Lab was completed with Gregory Company installing a door and handling the masonry work, Mike Walker installed the wiring and the paint crew finished the room.

The new Family Consumer Science area is really something. We encourage all to visit this area. Harold Lawrence our newest maintenance member framed the walls and hung the cabinets which were purchased from Lowe's. Some cabinets from Ms. Fowler's classroom at Senior High were moved to this area for storage. The area will have three kitchens with all the HVAC work completed by Eric Smith, the plumbing by Jeff McLean and the wiring by Mike Walker and Eric Smith. One of our summer workers, Jacob Davis was a competent helper.

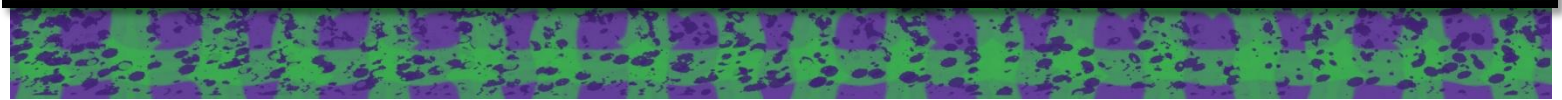


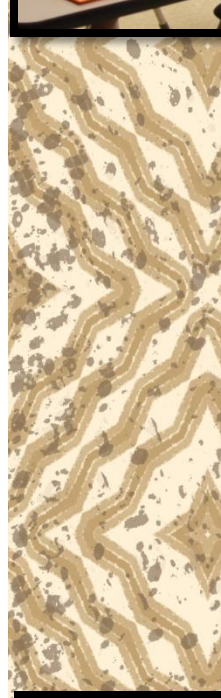
We're Back!





HACKLER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
W.I.L.D. about Kids
Where Individual Learning Develops





And We're W.I.L.D.!!
Where Individual Learning Develops



Hackler Intermediate School

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

Principal: Sondra Monger

Asst. Principal: Kevin Roach

Counselor: Terry Berry

Asst. Principal: Cassy Fowler

Counselor: Kristyn Goodwin



HACKLER IS W.I.L.D. ABOUT
OUR STUDENTS!

Where Individual Learning Develops

August 22, 2013



Welcome back students. We hope you had a fantastic summer and you're ready to get W.I.L.D. Our staff and teachers have worked hard all summer getting ready and we are excited about the adventure of learning. So hold on to your hats; it's going to be a GREAT year here at Hackler Intermediate School!

Around our School

- Benchmark scores going home today!
- Please make sure to communicate through the assignment books and your homeroom teacher any transportation changes.
- 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students that are not picked up in the car loading area by 3:30 will be escorted to the front office for you to pick up.
- Please pay all lunch charges by the end of each month.
- Volunteer Orientation in Hackler Cafeteria: 9:30 am, Monday, August 26th.
- If you have not returned your child's blue registration card for this school year, please do so ASAP.



VISITORS TO HACKLER

We would like to introduce you to a new system our school has acquired to help protect your children—it's called V-soft. V-soft helps track visitors, students, faculty, contractors, and volunteers at our school, thus providing a safer more monitored environment for the students.

When visitors, volunteers or contractors check-in, or parents come to pick up students, they will be asked to present a valid state-issued ID for entering into the system. The system has the ability to provide alerts on people who may jeopardize the safety of the campus.

We feel certain this will help us keep our campus a little safer, and ask for your cooperation in presenting your valid state issued ID when checking in at the school.

Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

Notes from Nurse Wendy

- Any student with an immunization exemption needs to bring a copy of the exemption to Nurse Wendy.
- If your child wears flip-flops to school, please send another pair of shoes for recess and physical education or in case they break.
- If your child has food allergies, a new certification of disability needs to be on file. Please call Nurse Wendy if you need a copy of the certification sheet to to be completed and signed by your physician.



425-1288

LUNCH TIMES FOR HACKLER STUDENTS

3RD GRADE: 11:50 - 12:20

4TH GRADE: 11:05 - 11:35

5TH GRADE GOES TO LUNCH BY TEAMS:

PEARLS: 12:40 - 1:10

(Swearingen, Goeke, Villiger, Wilhite, Roper, Caldwell)

RUBIES: 1:05 - 1:35

(Adamson, Cooper, Markowski, Budolfson, Harris, Mahmud)

It is vital to eat a healthy breakfast to start out your day and to also arrive at school on time.

We want your student to be successful in every way!



Bomber Spirit Booth

Friday, August 23, 2013 Part of Bomberfest

The 4th Annual Bomberfest sponsored by **First Security Bank** is slated for Friday, August 23rd. We are excited to have back the Bomber Cook-off Challenge, Bouncy Houses for kids, pedal cars sponsored by the National Guard, games of all sorts for kids, great food, and of course a little taste of Mountain Home Bomber Football. This year we are excited to announce a new addition to Bomberfest; the First Security Baggo Challenge will test your bean bag tossing skills. The first 32 teams to enter will have a chance to compete for a brand new Yeti Cooler. Entry fees are \$10 per team with all proceeds going to the Mountain Home Athletic Department. We are also bringing back our Bomber Spirit Booth competition. We would like to include as many groups, businesses, or organizations as we can. The booth that demonstrates the most "Bomber Spirit" will receive a traveling trophy to display however they choose until next year's Bomber fest. A spirit booth can contain whatever each organization would like to display in their support for the Bombers, please bring your own lawn chairs. It might include what their organization is about, advertisement, special promotions, giveaways, drawings for big ticketing items, etc. Make it as big as your "Bomber Spirit" is inside of you.

Bomber Spirit Booth SHOW YOUR BOMBER SPIRIT!!! *Special Promotions*

GREAT ADVERTISEMENT Decorate for the Bombers!!!

For more information contact Benji Mahan at 421-1010 or mahan@mhbomberfootball.com

KTLO BBQ Cook-Off Challenge

Friday, August 23, 2013 Part of Bomberfest sponsored by



- Registration for the Mountain Home Parks & Recreation Youth Basketball League, grades K-4th, girls & boys will be held at the L.C. Sammons Youth Center, Cooper Park, currently taking registrations thru Friday, September 27th during normal business hours, 8:30am-6:00pm. The registration fee is \$45.00 with a \$5 multi-child discount. **We will also offer a FREE Coaching Clinic!** Games begin November 2nd and run until December 14th. Registration forms are available on the web at www.mountainhomeparksandrec.com For more information, call the L.C. Sammons Youth Center at 424-7275.
- Join the fall/winter 2013-14 youth league program and BOWL every Saturday morning at Driftwood Lanes. The sign-up party is scheduled for Saturday, August 24 from 10-noon. Those that attend the sign up party will receive free drinks, bowling, and hotdogs! Fall leagues start Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013, at 10:00am. To participate, complete the following form and return to Chris at Driftwood Lanes Family Fun Center (870) 492-5001. The cost is \$17.00 for a 1 Year USBC Membership Fee (\$8.00 per week).

Fill Out Form

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parents: Interested in being a Registered Volunteer Coach? Contact Chris at Driftwood Lanes Family Fun Center (870) 492-5001 .



Mountain Home High School Career Academies August 19 – August 23, 2013

What did you do over Summer Break??



Seniors Rachael Arp and Anthony Finley, along with director Karen Maupin, attended the International Thespian Festival at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln this summer. While there, both auditioned for universities and performance conservatories from around the country. They each received callbacks from various institutions and have been invited to future interviews to pursue post secondary goals in theatre performance.

Arkansas FFA Presidents Conference



Kaycee Grissum and Bryce Rohr, members of the MH FFA chapter, attended the Arkansas FFA Presidents Conference and participated in agriculture industry tours and a trip to the capitol during the 4 day conference. They met leaders from around the state and attended leadership training sessions to gain valuable information to bring back to the local membership.

FFA members attend Arkansas Leadership Challenge in Hot Springs, AR



Front row: Tara Hentz, Tiffany Johns, Macie Kelly, Haven Stumon, Kaycee Grissum

Middle Row: James Daniel Brown, Austin Wachtel, Keith Petty, Zach Martin

Back Row: Mr. Baker, Zach Norwood, Carson Ford, Bodie Cotter, Bryce Rohr, Jacob Settles

Summer Professional Development for MHHS Career Academies Faculty

Faculty participated in a two day professional development to prepare for the 2013 – 2014 school year. Academy themes were developed. The **ACME (Architecture-Construction-Manufacturing-Engineering)** theme for the 2013-2014 year is “On Track for the Future.” This follows along with our project this year. ACME will be working with some of the second-grade classes in building Pinewood Derby cars. Each of the second-grade students (in select classes) will get to choose the model and color of car, put stickers on those cars, as well as build a shoebox garage for their cars. MHHS Career Academy students will cut the cars from wooden blocks, sand the cars, paint the cars, and mentor the second-grade students in finalizing the cars. This will culminate in a Pinewood Derby Race in the spring. Participating students will learn about the tools to cut and design the cars, aerodynamics, and learn about weighting and balancing of the cars for optimum speed; **CAB (Communication Arts and Business)** is “Takin Care of Business” featuring a Business Expo, and **HHS (Health and Human Services)** is “HHS-Serving Our Community.” The students will participate in three projects which serve our community; Project Outbreak, CSI, and the Walk-A-Thon.



Pictured above is Dr. Bouck demonstrating how they will perform “pumpkin chunkin” with a trebuchet with fellow HHS faculty members from left to right: Nancy Eastering, Christy Lawrence, Alecia Czanstkowski, Scott Small, Philip Goodwin, David LeMay, and Joseph Warden.

Save the Dates:

August 28 – Faculty Meeting (8:00)

September 4 – Mentor Orientation

September 10 – 15 – Baxter County Fair

September 11 – Senior and School Day Pictures

September 13 – Academy Kick-Off Day

September 18 – Jostens Junior Class Ring Presentation

September 19 – Progress Reports

September 25 – Senior Picnic at ASUMH

Pinkston Middle School



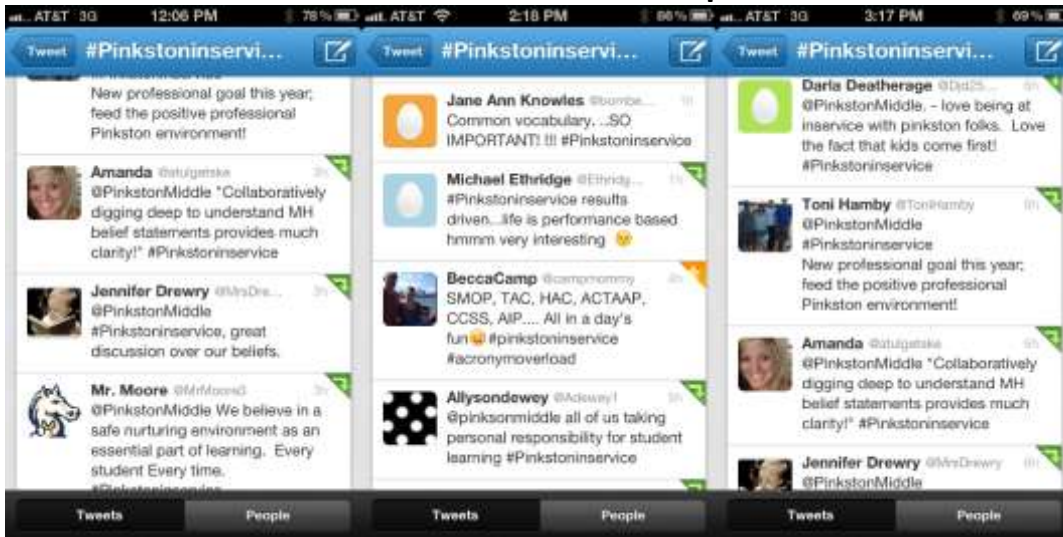
Teachers worked hard all summer in addition to a long productive in-service week. During August in-service teachers explored the concepts of Professional Learning Communities as researched and presented by Rick and Becky DuFour. Teachers reflected on the Mountain Home School Districts' 7 Belief Statements and embraced them as their **"collective commitments"** to students.



In addition to designing curriculum and assessment, teachers are exploring new avenues of technology. Mrs. Mollie Morgan, parent involvement coordinator, showed teachers the power of blogging.



Teachers also used Twitter #pinkstoninservice to have professional discussion and share ideas of educational practices.



As teachers made their professional discussions public via Twitter, they were noticed by several in the community including:



Open House at Pinkston Middle School

Many students and families attended open house nights. The main questions from kids:

- 1) What team did I get?
- 2) Where is my locker?

The teachers and staff have been so impressed with the Pinkston kids and parents! Thank you parents and guardians for sharing your kids with us 😊



Thank you to our fabulous maintenance and custodial staff for the work that they did over the summer! The Pinkston campus looks fabulous!



The new FCS classroom and teacher Mrs. Camp hosted a luncheon for teachers and staff August 15th ☺

Our new facility is wonderful. We appreciate all those that helped to design and renovate the space for our students!



August 19! The beginning of a GREAT 2013-2014 school year!



GUY BERRY

COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY

kicked off a great first week of school!

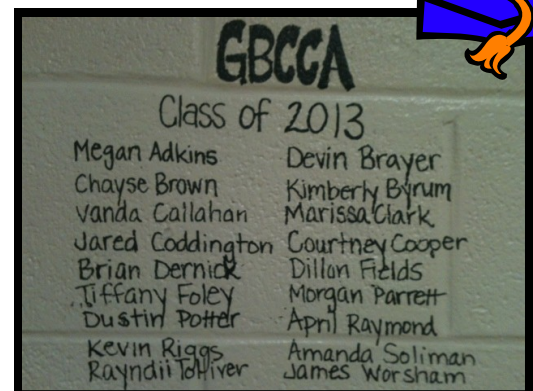


The students and staff welcome the addition of this beautiful 125 gallon fresh water fish tank to the GBCCA office! Compliments of Mr. David Martin—thank you!



Students in Mr. Martin's biology class are working to assemble centerpieces for the MHEF Night of Honors banquet

We are proudly displaying our second graduating class on the GBCCA "Wall of Fame"



NELSON-WILKS-HERRON

“Celebrating the Stars”/Teacher In-Service

Meet the “STARS” of NWH....



Mrs. Cotter

Mrs. Persons



Melissa Corp, Mindy Williams, Jeanette Byes, Mary Ellen Kressin & Ashley McCord



Libby Kidd, Patti Bell, Sondra Hoffmann & Jana Brewer



Susan Hanley, Beth Kratochvil, Martha Wedgworth, Twila Volkman & Rita Nunley



Diane Montgomery, Robin Harris, Nichole Butler & Jennie Riley



Cynthia Arki, Amber Teegarden, Sarah Ducker, Tammy Barnes & Jenny Goings



Kristin Seawright, Sarah Davis, Rita Williams, Linda Pierce & Kay Hollingsworth



Laura Beth Baker, Tiffany Stone, Christy King, Cathleen Roberson & Kevin Oxford



Josh Low, Melissa Green, Marcus McCain, Norma Prentiss, Cristy Neighbors, Cheryl Human, Laura Cramton & Tim Nelson



Rhonda Allen & Joe Grabowski





First Week of School





**Thanks to all our awesome staff and volunteers, we have had a GREAT week!
(Even car line has went smoothly! 😊)**

**Mountain Home Kindergarten
Word of the Month-
Choices-Do the Right Thing
August 23, 2013**

Thank you for your patience and cooperation at car loading. It is running smoothly and much more quickly now! It is very important to follow school drop-off procedures; please wait in the car line. It is important that you do not park your car and enter the building during car unloading (7:30-8:00) and loading times (2:40-3:10). Please pull up to the next available square where there is an adult; this helps the flow of traffic. Please display your child's name sign in the passenger side window; this helps us radio the gym for staff to locate and send your child out. Some great ideas to display these signs are small hangers with clips to hold the sign and hang from the visor, clip the sign to the visor, or suction cups to hold the sign in the window. Thank you again for your cooperation at car loading. We would like to familiarize you with two state laws. These laws will be enforced at all Arkansas schools.

Arkansas state law prohibits drivers of motor vehicles using a cell phone while in a school zone when children are present.

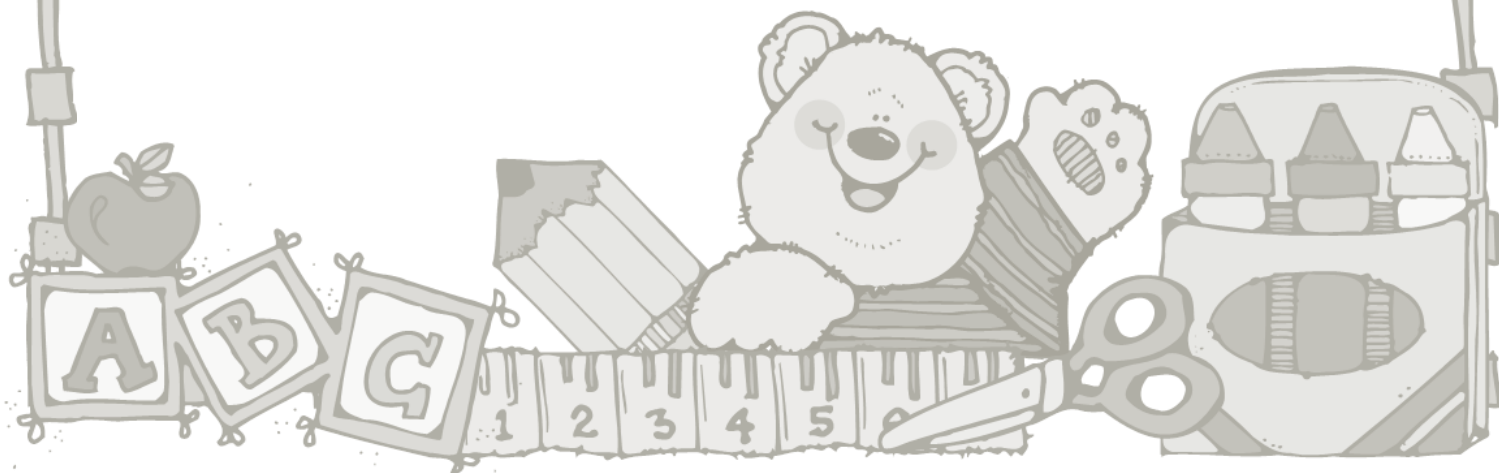
Arkansas state law also prohibits smoking in a vehicle in which a child who is less than 14 years old is a passenger.

Just a reminder-if we do not have your child's social security card and proof of birth on file, please come by the office as soon as possible. We can make copies of these documents for you. ☺
DEADLINE for immunizations and wellness physicals is September 20, 2013. If your child does not have that information on file by that date, they will not be allowed to return to school.

You can also find news about the district on our website: <http://bombers.k12.ar.us>

Please be advised that milk is \$.35. If your child qualified for free or reduced lunch and they bring their lunch to school and need milk they will be charged that amount.

MORE NEWS ON THE OTHER SIDE



The NFL is coming to First Baptist this Fall!

The NFL® sponsors the PLAY 60 Flag Football Program

WE'RE LIVE!!!

You can register online **NOW -September 1st**

mountainhomefootball.com or **myfbcmh.com**

*This flag football program is for **boys and girls** 4-17 years of age. Practices and games will be held at First Baptist Church.*

Cost is \$50 per child, will discount for multiple family members and scholarships are available.

Fee includes pro-team jersey, flags and insurance.

Games begin on September 14th - November 2nd.

*If you would like more information or wish to participate, please call the Christian Life Center, First Baptist Church at
(870) 425-5421.*

BASKETBALL

UPWARD REGISTRATION AT Eastside Baptist- www.esbcmh.com and

Registration for the Mountain Home Parks & Recreation Youth Basketball League, grades K-4th, girls & boys will be held at the L.C. Sammons Youth Center, Cooper Park, starting Tuesday, August 6th from 6:00pm-8:00pm thru Friday, September 27th during normal business hours, 8:30am-6:00pm. The registration fee is \$45.00 with a \$5 multi-child discount. **We will also offer a FREE Coaching Clinic!** Games begin November 2nd and run until December 14th. Registration forms are available on the web at www.mountainhomeparksandrec.com. For more information, call the L.C. Sammons Youth Center at 424-7275

BOWLING

Join the fall/winter 2013-14 youth league program and bowl every Saturday morning at Driftwood Lanes. The sign-up party is scheduled for Saturday, August 24 from 10-noon. Those that attend the sign up party will receive free drinks, bowling and hotdogs! Fall leagues start Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013 at 10:00am. To participate complete the following form and return to Chris at Driftwood Lanes Family Fun Center (870) 492-5001. The cost is \$17.00 for a 1 Year USBC Membership Fee (\$8.00 per week).

Fill Out Form

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Parents: Interested in being a Registered Volunteer Coach? Contact Chris at Driftwood Lanes Family Fun Center (870) 492-5001

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MOUNTAIN HOME EDUCATION FOUNDATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 22, 2013

Contact:

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The Mountain Home Education Foundation is pleased to announce the members of Phi Delta Kappa recently donated \$5,000.00 to the MHEF for teacher grants. These teacher grants will be awarded to teachers who apply for funds to launch innovative teaching projects within the Mountain Home Public School District.

The PDK also contributed \$500.00 to a current MHEF teaching grant, the Guy Berry Mentoring Project. Members of the community visit with the students at Guy Berry College and Career Academy each month. This year, the mentoring program is placing an emphasis on business etiquette and self-respect. The money will help with clothing, nutritious snacks, speakers and other details of the grant curriculum.

To commemorate the work of Phi Delta Kappa, the organization purchased an engraved brick from the MHEF to be displayed in the Mountain Home High School Library Courtyard. Proceeds from the purchase of the engraved bricks goes toward the work of the MHEF as it provides scholarships to Mountain Home Public School graduates and teacher grants to Mountain Home Public School teachers.

Pictured are Glenda Bodenhamer, Treasurer of Phi Delta Kappa, and Mollie Morgan, Executive Director of the Mountain Home Education Foundation.



MOUNTAIN HOME JUNIOR HIGH

It was an excellent first week at MHJH! The students and staff of MHJH came ready to learn/work, and we kicked-off another great school year!

Students and staff at MHJH spent the first part of each day this week building relationships, trust, and respect for each other. Below are some pictures of the team-building and relationship-building activities that took place. Each student had an important part of the activities. Without each students' correct work, the team/group would not be successful. **THANKS TO THE STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND TEACHERS FOR A GREAT START TO THE SCHOOL YEAR!!!**







