

MHPS WEEKLY UPDATE

MOUNTAIN HOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FROM SUPERINTENDENT DR. MYERS

Superintendent Update: September 12, 2014

Quote for the week: “Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs even though checked by failure, than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat.”—Theodore Roosevelt

I was fortunate enough to be a guest speaker at a principal’s leadership conference on Monday. The conference was held at the Center for Educational Leadership in Russellville, Arkansas. This center is collaborating with Arkansas Tech University, effectively training and mentoring practicing principals in our state.

I shared some personal philosophy with the principals. The emphasis for the morning centered on convincing the principals they were role models and people looked to them for sound professional and moral leadership in their schools. In my opinion principals (leaders) should be motivated by purpose. That purpose is to be useful, servant driven, responsible, compassionate and above all to make a difference in the lives of our students. To matter, to count, to stand for something, and to have made some difference that you even lived at all is a focus for servant driven leadership! Many people think the purpose of life is to be “happy.” I personally do not believe the purpose of life is to be happy. I believe happiness comes as a residual effect of serving other people.

Here is a statement I read every day when I come to work:

“100 years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove...But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child.”

It is important for each of us to be a giver and not a taker in this world. We need to use wisdom in our work as the influence we want to exhibit to the world, our friends, colleagues, and loved ones should be a positive influence which makes the world a better place to live.

Baxter County Fair Parade:

I hope many of you enjoyed the fair parade. Here are a few photos of the exciting

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Special dates of interest:

- * School Board Election September 16th
- * School Board meeting September 18th
- * Naming of the Robert N. Nelson Band Hall
September 23rd

event. Our students are just so impressive. Congratulations to everyone involved with making this event so much fun!

Enjoy this [video](#).

Have a great weekend everyone!

Lonnie



Save the Date

Saturday, October 4, 2014

6:00 pm

Big Creek Golf & Country Club

Hayden Padgett Memorial

Press Box Foundation

Blue & Gold Gala



For more information contact mhbombers99@yahoo.com



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Sept. 12, 2014

MHHS CAREER ACADEMIES

Academy Kick-Off Day 2014-2015



Academy Kick-off Day at MHHS Career Academies:

Mountain Home High School Career Academies had their kick-off day for the school year 2014-2015 Friday September 5th. All three academies introduced their project themes.

Agriculture, Manufacturing, Construction and Engineering: **Pinewood Derby Race Cars**

Communication, Arts, and Business: **Business Expo**

Health and Human Services: **Bomber Fever (an Outbreak Project)**

The “Outbreak” that occurred at MHHS, on September 5th, infected the HHS teachers so severely that their bodies couldn’t overcome the infection. As a result, the MHHS campus became inundated with “ZOMBIES.” HHS is looking for a vaccine or cure!

“Outbreak” contained...

NO Students Infected



Senior, Ashton Garner, donned a hazmat suit provided by the Mtn. Home Fire Department as part of her Senior Academy Kick Off Day activity.



HHS Seniors were "decontaminated" by members of the Mtn. Home Fire Department as a part of their Senior Academy Kick Off Day activity.



“Students Decontaminated...”



Sydney Blevins and Katie Dunn were “decontaminated” by the Mtn. Home Fire Department as a result of acquiring “Senior-itis” from the graduation threatening disease, “Bomber Fever” as a part of their Senior Academy Kick Off Day activity.

...Teachers Contaminated”



HHS teachers “get their Zombie on” for Academy Kick Off Day! The HHS Academy project, “Bomber Fever” is based on understanding the many facets of infectious disease and its impact on society.

The HHS Senior activity was hosted by the Mountain Home Fire Department and the Baxter Regional Medical Center EMTs. Students were able to tour the fire trucks and ambulance and listened as personnel explained the various aspects of their careers and the equipment. We thank the Mtn. Home Fire Department and the BRMC EMTs for giving us their time and personnel on a very HOT afternoon, but the students loved the experience.





The HHS Sophomore Kick Off Day activity challenged students to research an infectious disease and present their findings through skits, posters, songs or raps.

2014-15 MHHS Bomber Yearbook Staff Visits with Jostens Creative Art Director at ASUMH



The following staff members made the trip to ASU-MH with their adviser Mrs. Seaman: Michelle Beebe, Destiny Carroccio, Alexa Carter, Kylie Beshears, Mason Bell, Chloe Bowman, Isabella Gregory, Taylor Hasselwander, Ana Helmert, Hannah Lundry, Madeline Malloy, Mackenzie Mohler, Kaylee Nelson, Hunt Nosari, Hailey Parsons, Sunny Rhoades, Izabella Simone, Kaitlyn Strode, Jessica Swonger, Abby Walden & Kaci Yancey.

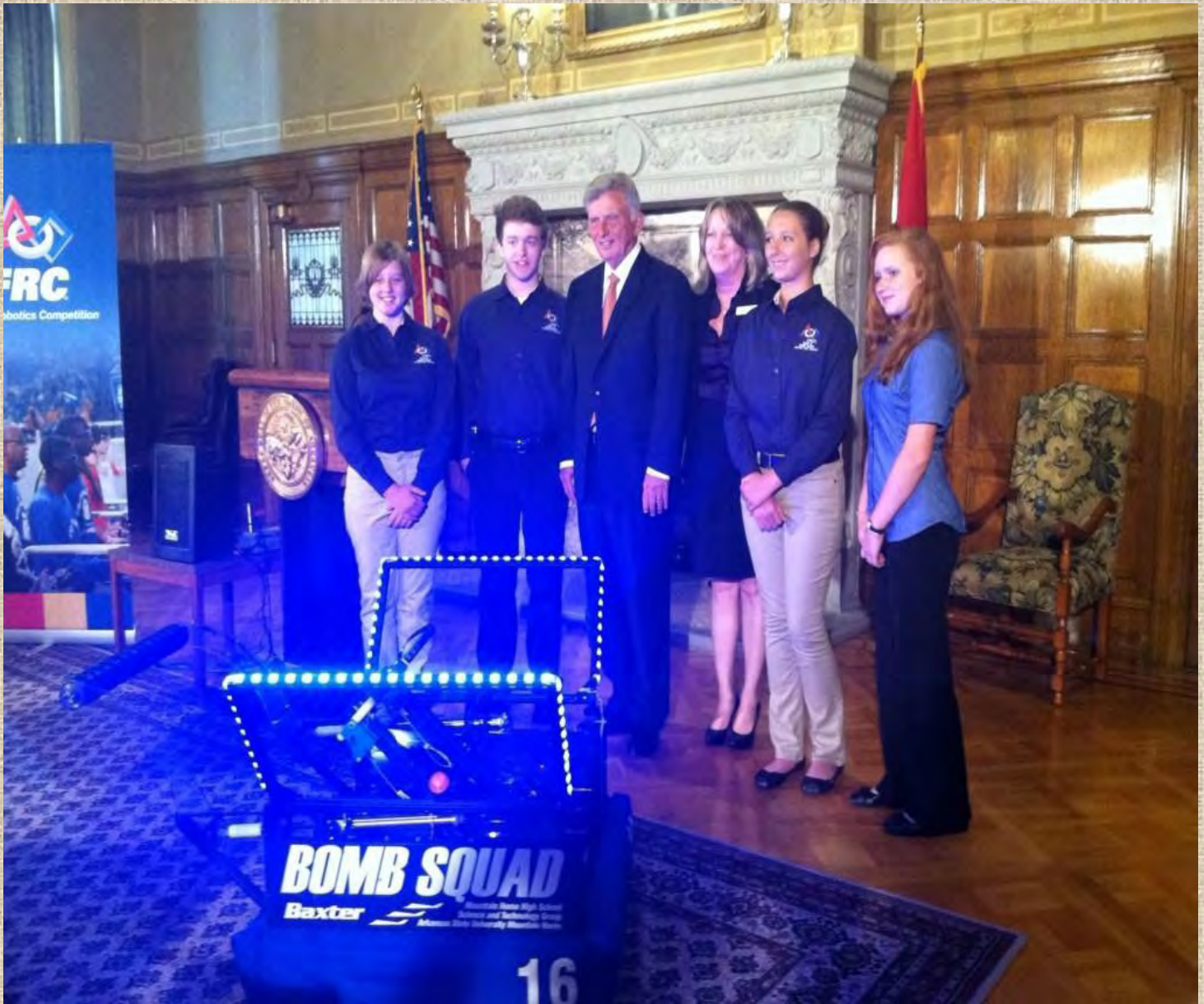
The 2015 Bomber Yearbook staff visited ASU-MH on Tuesday for the annual Fall Jostens Workshop. The staff, as well as other staffs from the area, heard a useful, thought-provoking presentation from Jostens Creative Accounts Director John Cutsinger. Cutsinger is a leader in the yearbook industry and has even published books with tips and tricks for yearbook staffs.

The highlight of the day came after the other staffs left ASU-MH and Cutsinger sat down with just the Bomber yearbook staff for some theme planning. He helped the staff come up with their book's theme: Home Sweet Home, which will feature all things that make MHHS the students' home away from home.

Cutsinger is in very high demand nationally, so time with him was very precious to the staff. Editors Sunny Rhoades and Abby Walden were thrilled to hear that Cutsinger wants to use pages from the Bomber Yearbook in his educational slideshows that he shares around the country.

He had lots of praise and feedback for the yearbook staff, and each staff member felt very proud of their work when they left ASU-MH on Tuesday.

Bomb Squad Speaks with Governor Beebe



Bomb Squad students spoke along side Governor Beebe Wednesday about the impact of FIRST robotics on high school students in the state and announced the dates of the Arkansas Rock City Regional that will bring 40+ high school teams from around the nation to Arkansas to show off and compete with their 2015 robot. MHHS students pictured are: Holly Simpson, John Taylor Novak, and Hannah Plumlee.

Mentoring at MHHS Career Academies



Mentoring Orientation was held on Wednesday September 3rd at the MHHS Career Academy Library. Currently we have 75 community members who are volunteering their time to our students. Mentors are partnered with one of our 54 Academic Advisory Program classes. Each month our community partners come to share their career focus and guide our students into their post-secondary life.

The Mentors begin their relationships with our students as sophomores and follow them through their senior years. Some of our Mentors have been part of our program since it began 10 years ago. Their dedication that they offer our students is appreciated from our staff, students, and school district.

The students at MHHS Career Academies have given the credit to their Mentors for helping them find jobs, scholarships, and post-secondary success. Thank you to our Mentors!!!!!!

If you are interested in Mentoring please contact our Mentor Volunteer Coordinators or Brigitte Shipman at:

CAB Volunteer Coordinator: Kelley Nosari 421-5691 nosari@suddenlink.net

HHS Volunteer Coordinator: Kathy Arp 421-9447 ozarkfoot@suddenlinkmail.com

ACME Volunteer Coordinator: April Webb 404-5754 studio923moms@yahoo.com

Academy Coordinator: Brigitte Shipman 404-3468 bshipman@mtnhome.k12.ar.us



Health & Human Services Academy Teachers



HHS Teachers went to the Mountain Home Fire Department on August 15th for a teacher externship. Teachers toured the fire station and listened as Fire Inspector Eddie White, Captain Kris Quick, and other fire men explained their careers and the various equipment. We are very grateful to the Mountain Home Fire Department for taking the time to visit with us. Through that externship, teachers can better prepare students interested in that career.

The Mountain Home High School Tennis Team

PRESENTS THE 5th ANNUAL

FRANK MILLER MEMORIAL

Bomber Smash



**DOUBLES
TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

Two Match Guarantee

Saturday, September 20 – 8a - 2p

Mountain Home Athletic Club

Entry Fee: \$50 per team

\$10 per Student

You may turn in your entry form at the Mtn. Home High School Athletic Office,
500 Bomber Blvd., or at the Mtn. Home Athletic Club, 514 Coley Dr.

Please make all checks payable to the Bomber Booster Club.

All winners will receive a Bomber Smash Tennis T-shirt.

Contact: David Moore (870-377-2554)

Deanna Garretson (501-681-1934)

Entry Form (please print) Deadline-September 19th

Please Check One: Men's Doubles _____ Woman's Doubles _____

Gold Division (Top Flight) _____

Blue Division (Beginner, Fun Level) _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Email Address _____

Age: _____ Experience Level: _____

Partner's Name _____ Phone _____

Email Address _____

Age: _____ Experience Level: _____

Monday	09/15/14	Football vs. Newport (Away) 5:00 7 th Gold, 7 th Blue Volleyball vs. Cotter (Away) 5:00 7 th , 8 th Football vs. Highland (Home) 6:00 8 th , JV
Tuesday	09/16/14	Cross Country West Plains Invite 3:00 7-12 th Tennis vs. Jonesboro (Home) 4:00 Volleyball vs. Cabot (Away) 4:30 JV, V
Wednesday	09/17/14	
Thursday	09/18/14	Golf vs. Valley Springs/Salem @ Big Creek 3:30 Tennis vs. Searcy (Away) 4:00 Volleyball vs. LR Central (Home) 4:30 JV, V Football vs. Newport (Home) 6:00 9 th
Friday	09/19/14	HS Football vs. Nettleton (Away) 7:30
Saturday	09/20/14	Tennis Bomber Smash <i>Flyer is attached</i> Volleyball in Green Forest Jamboree TBA 7 th Volleyball in Conway Tournament TBA 8 th Cross Country Southern Stampede in Joplin, MO TBA HS

Go Bombers!!!

Mountain Home Junior High

Kallie Copeland's students analyzed George Bush's **9/11 Speech**. As delineated in the Common Core State Standards, Copeland had them observe various forms of media, including **video clips** from the Today Show, Wilborn Hampton's **book** *Attack on New York City*, and Alan Jackson's **song**, *Where were You When the World Stopped Turning?*

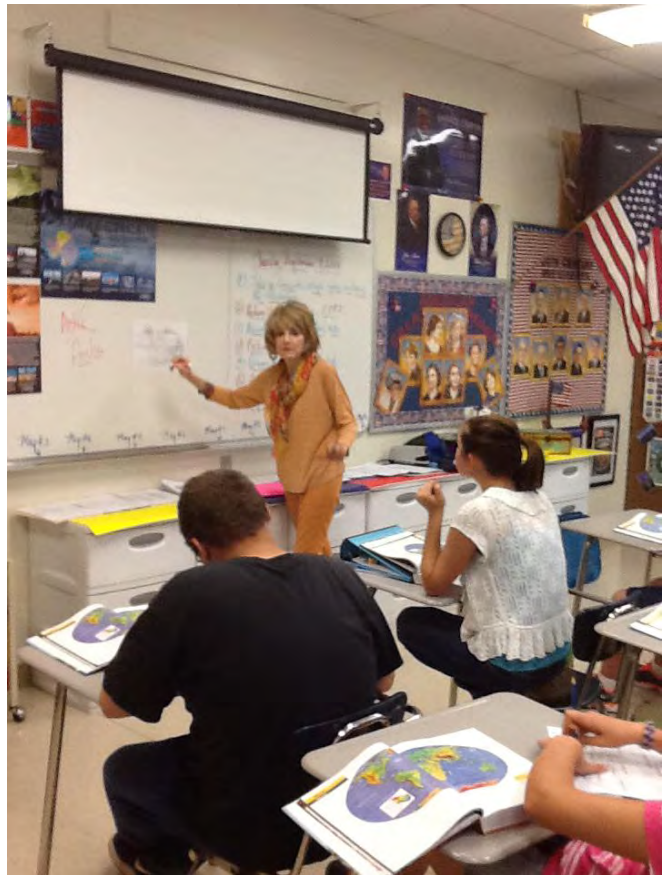
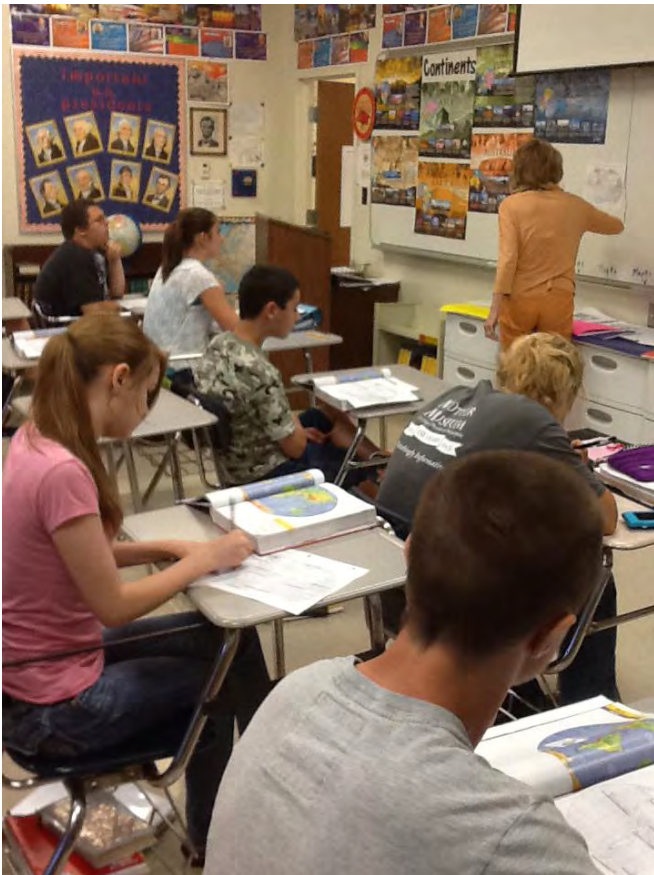


Kathy Lawrence's Family and Consumer Science class used strategies with pictorial elements to connect to their lesson.



In Geography, Linda Stansfield's students learned about the various oceans of the world.

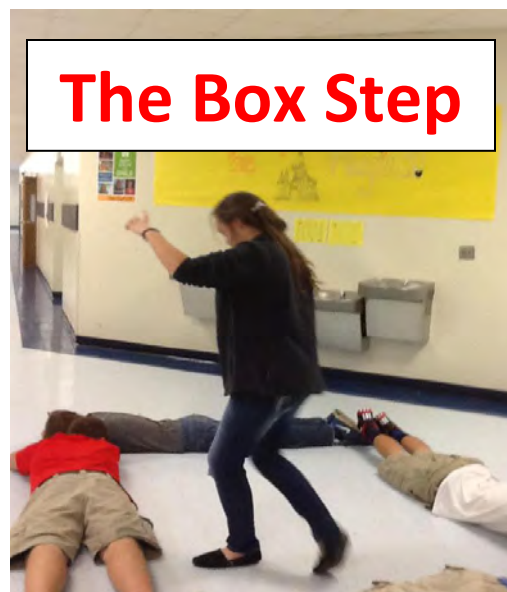
Side note—once an English teacher, always an English teacher—Mrs. Stansfield pointed out that **Indian** is always capitalized, regardless of the context. 😊



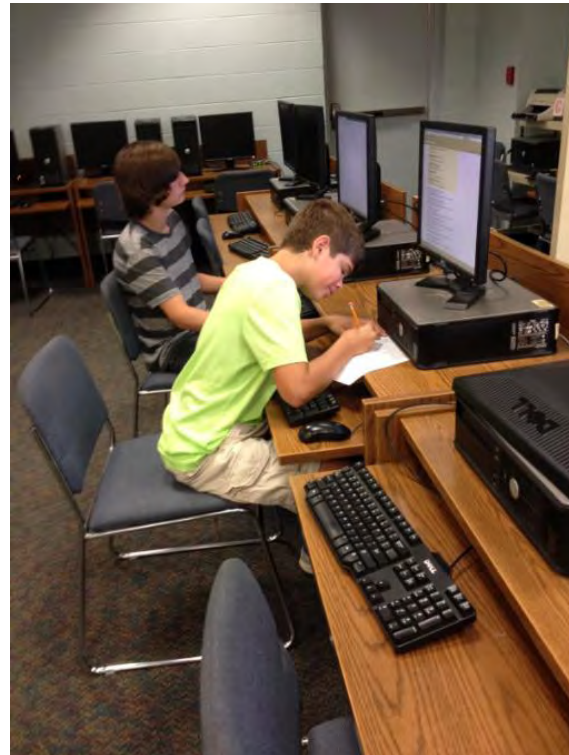
Mrs. Ludwig's future scientists conducted a lab to determine the density of several objects.



Mrs. Hickey's drama students learned various **genres of dance** this week. They were introduced to the basic tap dance the *Time Step*, they worked on basic lyrical and jazz steps, and they used a "human box" to learn how to dance the *Box Step*.



Mrs. Beaver's eighth graders conducted research on inventors, with the primary focus on what these inventors did prior to their successful inventions.



Harvie Beaver's students also did a **measurement lab**. In this lab, students learned how to correctly use the laboratory equipment and they implemented lab safety rules that we learned earlier in the year.



Nathan Criner's classes collaborate on their Arkansas History Posters.









Pinkston Middle School



Week ending 9.12.14

Remembering 9/11



Students learned about 9/11 through research, reading, listening to stories, discussing how 9/11 impacted their family and community. Students in some classes wrote letters of gratitude to various heroes and created illustrations to show how they would honor or remember those that serve and fight for our freedom.



6th Grade Science classes ran experiments in flight!

Each student created a paper airplane, tested the plane and measured the distance in metrics.



Students in Mr. Kirby and Mrs. Nelson's 6th and 7th grade math classes met the MobiMax Math challenge.

There were three students honored for their progress!



Students in Mrs. Bogy's class explore maps and historical sites through an interactive app. The app will create a 3D model of a particular site, describe it, as well as read the information to support the learner. The students were highly engaged and have already asked to do more with the device.



7th Grade Students are encouraged to be creative and write a caption for illustrations or pictures.

Teachers encouraging students to publish





Officer Campfield is organizing the 2014-2015 Safety Team for Pinkston Middle School

Go Bombers!

We have hundreds of students participating in various athletic teams such as Cross Country, Football, and Volleyball this fall.

We are proud of all our student athletes!

Thank you coaches for your time and effort with our middle school athletes!



Pinkston Middle School @Pinkstonmiddle

EAST at Pinkston @AdunavanEast

7th Grade Promise @deniselauerman

DARE @campfield10

Pinkston Media Center @pmslibrary12

Upcoming Pinkston Middle School Events

September 17 - Rachel's Challenge assembly for 7th grade

September 17 - Rachel's Challenge assembly for community - 6:00-7:30 P.M. Dunbar Auditorium

September 18 - Progress Reports go home with students

September 18 - 2014 Benchmark scores go home

September 26 - 6th Grade vision and hearing check

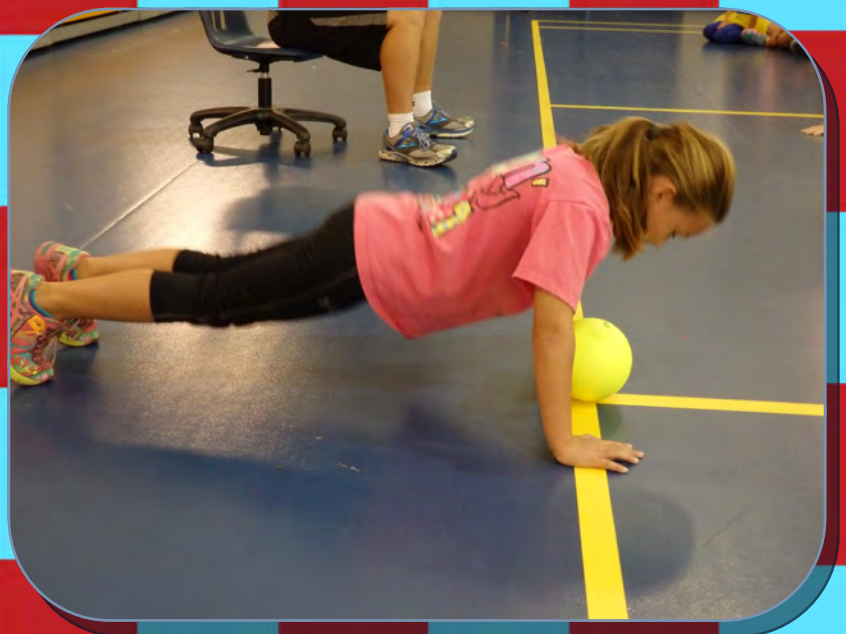
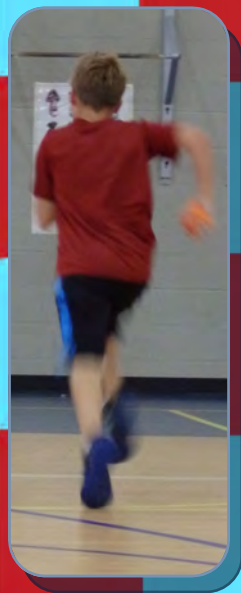
October 16 - School Pictures! ☺

October 17 - 7th Grade Baxter County Teen Summit



HACKLER HEALTHY KIDS

Hackler students are participating in physical fitness tests this week in P.E.



Arkansas Physical Education and Health Curriculum Framework

Physical Education, a component of education, takes place through movement experiences and creates the opportunity for individuals to learn and understand academic applications for a healthy lifestyle. Through regular physical activity, students will have the opportunity to develop life-enhancing and self-rewarding experiences that contribute to their ability to be healthier members of society. Students shall be challenged to participate in daily activities that will enhance their health choices. The intent is to provide a variety of health-enhancing activities in an attempt to foster lifelong active individuals.

For the Love of Science!

In Mrs. Lawrence's third grade class, the students did a science experiment called jellyfish in a bottle as part of their study of vertebrates and invertebrates. Each student made his/her own jellyfish as an example of an animal that is without a backbone. 44 bottles and 22 plastic sacks were recycled as part of this project. Super fun science activity!



Hackler is a GREAT place to be!

Hackler Intermediate School Newsletter

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

Principal: **Sondra Monger**

Mrs. Sondra Monger, Principal
Mrs. Cassy Barnhill, Assistant Principal
Mr. Kevin Roach, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Kristyn Goodwin - Counselor
Ms. Mary Beth Wyatt - Counselor

Date: 09/11/2014

9/11



We remember!

Around Our School

- Hackler handbook is available to view online. To access, go to bombers.k12.ar.us and click on Hackler Intermediate and you will find handbook under the student section in the first column.
- If you requested a hard copy of the handbook you will find those going home today in the red folder.
- Please notify the office with any address or phone number changes. It is vitally important we are able to contact you in case of an emergency or a health care issue. Also make sure the office has copies of any up to date legal documentation.
- Remember to follow the NO PHONE ZONE. Safety of our students is our number one priority!
- Please make sure your child knows how they are to go home before they get to school. If a student is going to be riding a bus for the first time, they will need a bus pass. The teacher will issue a bus pass and the information the teacher will need includes a bus

It's Bomber Football time!

Mountain Home Bombers versus Valley View Blazers.

First home game is Friday, September 12th, 2014 at 7:30 pm.

Show your Bomber spirit by wearing blue and gold on Friday!

(no face paint or colored hair)



Go Bombers!



News from Nurse Wendy

- Remember to bring in a copy of your child's updated immunization to Nurse Wendy.
- The common cold is upon us. Some symptoms plaguing our students are: sniffles, sneezes, sore throat, and an annoying cough. Please remind your child that prevention begins with good hand washing and keeping hands away from eyes, nose, and mouth.

Community Opportunities

- Attention Parents: Cross Fit Kids by The Mountain Home Athletic Club. Help get your kids in great shape for life! Cross Fit Kids is the principle strength and conditioning program for many young athletes. Cross Fit Kids teaches your child to grow up healthy, strong, and have a lifelong love of working out. It's never too late to join. Fall Session - September 30th through December 31st from 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm. For more information call The Mountain Home Athletic Club at 870-425-4342.
- Humane Society of North Central Arkansas Walk-a-Thon on Saturday, October 11, 2014. For more information visit www.humanesocietyofnca.org or call 870-425-9221.
- Good News Club begins Tuesday, September 30th. Registrations are available in the front office. This program is not an activity of Mountain Home Public Schools.

Keeping hands clean is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of infection and illness.

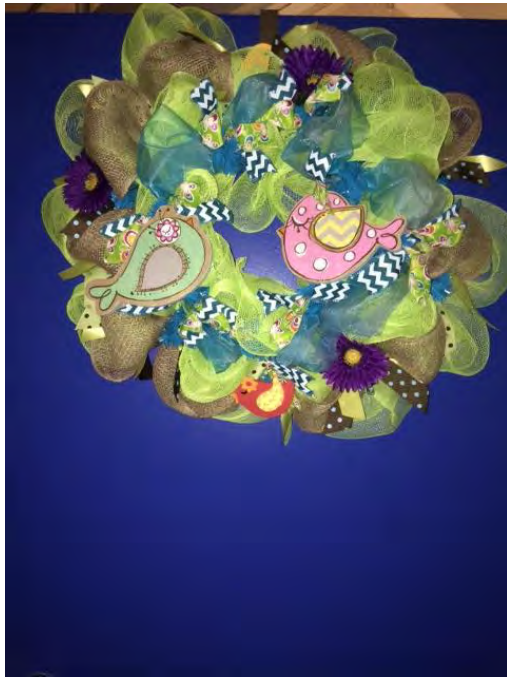


Hand washing is easy to do and it's one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of many types of infection and illness in all settings—from your [home](#) and [workplace](#) to child care facilities and [hospitals](#). Clean hands can stop germs from spreading from one person to another and throughout an entire community.

NELSON-WILKS-HERRON

NWH Volunteer Room Make-Over Cont'd





The volunteer room at NWH has been updated and is ready to be enjoyed by all our NWH volunteers! A special thank you goes out to Shenna Estes and her make-over crew.

MOUNTAIN HOME KINDERGARTEN

DID YOU KNOW..... that the pledge originally had 23 words which what had been initially penned for a Columbus Day celebration? The pledge is now comprised of 31 words, a profession of loyalty and devotion to not only to the flag, but to a way of life. The last change was made on June 14 (Flag Day), 1954 – by Dwight Eisenhower

The Pledge of Allegiance has been recited daily by children in schools across America, and gained heightened popularity among adults during the patriotic fervor created by World War II. It was still an "unofficial" pledge until June 22, 1942 when the United States Congress included the Pledge to the Flag in the United States Flag Code (Title 36). In 1945 the Pledge to the Flag received its official title as THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE.

At the Mountain Home Kindergarten different students are selected each morning to say The Pledge followed by a moment of silence. We use our intercom system and the students are heard all over the building and at the Headstart building that is located directly south of the kindergarten.



James Hewett and Parker Beck from Mrs. Conly's class

Abigail Sanders from Mrs. Diane's class



Karter Barton from Mrs. Christy's class

August Volunteer Report

764 Volunteer Hours

Kindergarten

26 volunteers -152 hours

Volunteer duties included copy training/orientation, greeting kids on the first week, lunch duty, morning duty/bus duty, copying, cutting, laminating, etc.

NWH

24 volunteers - 311 hours

We had orientation, car loading, car unloading, bus loading, bus unloading, hallway helpers, cafeteria helpers, gym helpers, and open house workers.

Hackler

26 volunteers - 207 hours

Volunteer activities/duties included: helping kids to class on the first day, helping teachers make copies, office duties, carline loading, and helping in the parking lot :).

Pinkston

15 volunteers - 76 hours

Volunteers helped decorate bulletin boards for Open House. They also, greeted 6th & 7th grade students & their parents during Open House. The 1st 5 days of school, they helped 6th graders open lockers & Volunteers were making last minute copies for teachers. Several Volunteers input data for Mrs. Knowles in the Library. Snack Packs were also distributed the 2nd week of school.

Jr High

5 volunteers - 18 volunteer hours

Volunteers assembled student packets, copied materials, and organized the clothing closet.

High School

No hours reported