

FROM SUPERINTENDENT DR. MYERS

Superintendent Update: November 21, 2014

Quote for the week: “We know that the outcast and misfits are the children most likely to become violent, so it only follows that we must pull them into the arms of love and/or acceptance, and find a place where they fit. If our system doesn’t have a place where a child fits, there’s something wrong with the system, not the child.”—William DeFoore

THANKFUL FOR OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT

As I sit at my desk during this moment and prepare for the Thanksgiving Holiday, I have started to think about the many things for which I am thankful. Among them are family and friends; however, for the purpose of this article, I would like to focus on the Mountain Home School District. I am thankful for many things in our local school district; here are but a few.

Students: As the most important ingredient to the future success of our community and country, I am thankful for our students who have dedicated themselves to their studies. I am also thankful for the smile they put on my face each and every day.

Parents: I am thankful for our parents who support their children for the betterment of their education. I am thankful when I see a large group of parents at our school functions to encourage our students participating in school functions.

Teachers: I am thankful for our hard working and dedicated teaching staff. They put in many extra hours of their time to prepare lesson plans; attend meetings; and, grade papers to name a few.

Aides: I am thankful for our many aides who assist our teachers and students. They are an integral part of student success.

Secretaries and Administrative Assistants: I am thankful for our secretaries who always greet us with a smiling face. I am thankful for their dedication to our students.

Cafeteria Staff: I am thankful for the people who prepare and serve our lunches on a daily basis. They plan and provide for the nutritional needs of our students and staff.

Bus Drivers: I am thankful for the people who we entrust to transport our children to and from school each day.

Janitors/Maintenance staff: I am thankful to the people who keep our buildings clean and looking nice. I am thankful for the extra hours they work to cover ball games and other events.

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Special dates of interest:

- * Thanksgiving Break (no students) November 24-28
- * Noon Board Meeting— December 3rd at High School
- * Regular Board Meeting December 16th
- * Christmas Break December 22-January 2

Volunteers: I am thankful for the many volunteers who help make our district run smoothly.

Other Support Staff: I am thankful for social workers, speech therapists, mental health specialists, etc. They provide a valuable service to our students.

Substitute Teachers: I am thankful for our substitute teachers who step in and provide a valuable service when teachers are absent.

Our Central Office Team and District Supervisors: Each of these individuals support our work and always consider what is best for our students when making decisions.

I have no doubt left someone out, but my heart includes each and every person who supports our vision to reach every student-every time! Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Lonnie

[Enjoy this Simple Truths video](#)

**Mountain Home Kindergarten
11.22.14 -
Charlie Brown Thanksgiving**



Students from Ms. Kathy Lawrence's class at the Junior High School come to the Kindergarten each year to help serve the Traditional Charlie Brown Thanksgiving of popcorn, jelly beans, toast and apple juice. A fun time was had by all.





The Baxter Bulletin awards the “BEST” in a variety of categories such as best photographer, best car salesman, best restaurant, hairdresser, etc., annually. Our own Annette Kasinger won the 2014 Winner Best Teacher K-2 award. This is picked by the Twin Lakes Community. We are so proud of Mrs. Kasinger!



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Mountain Home Public Schools

11.21.2014



**AR Arts Council The Little Mermaid
Performed on November 18, 2014
Dunbar Auditorium**

Future Administrators Program FAP

by Dr. Gigliotti

Participants - 12

This is the second school year for the Future Administrators Program (FAP). FAP was created by a committee of aspiring principals in MHPS.

What is FAP?

Participation in FAP is available to Mountain Home Public School Teachers that are enrolled in a graduate program for Educational Leadership, or obtain an AR Teaching License in Educational Leadership. Participants in FAP will receive experience in best leadership practices. Also, current MHPS Principals and Assistant Principals will discover benefits such as additional support from the future administrator to their role

as the school leader. By providing FAP, the district offers training, shadowing, and mentoring support to program participants.

FAP Vision and Mission-

- ▶ Vision: Developing Tomorrows Leaders Today
- ▶ Mission: The purpose of the Future Administrators Program is to recruit, train, support and retain high quality leaders, who will increase student achievement and close the achievement gap.

FAP Participants are able to shadow, a principal and/or assistant principal.

FAP Participants can also serve as the liaison while the principal is out of the office. As liaison, FAP participants will not have the authority to

make discipline decisions or other decisions relating to the position. The future administrator serves to mediate, communicate, organize and consult with the principal.

Increased support in the school system creates a collaborative environment. Students benefit from this type of school environment.

For more information, please contact me at 870-425-1201.

**Happy
Thanksgiving!**

Mountain Home Junior High

Thank you MHJH students who volunteered to work at the **American Legion** on Saturday, November 15. This event was to raise money for the **Wounded Warriors Project** and **American Legion Scholarships**.



The students who attended were Bethany Yates, Joseph McCoy, Lauren Chetnik, Alexis Bates, Addison Ray, Hanna Talburt, LeeEtta Merklung and Kayla Rhodes. The Veteran pictured is Mr. Jim Wallen who served during the Korean War (1950-1953).

EAST students were interviewed by KTLO regarding an after school program where they teach computer skills and Smart Phones to senior citizens.



MHJH Computer Applications II Students are PUBLISHED!!

Heather Hestley * Rowan Laidler * Jillian Reed * Gabe Smith and Maly Tabor were recently published in the 2014 Arkansas Family Rodeo Finals program. Each student created one or more of the Full-Page or Half-Page Advertisements below. They begin with only the name of the business, the website, and a picture with their saddle. These programs are distributed all over Arkansas and Southern Missouri to 170 AFR finalists and a multitude of businesses.

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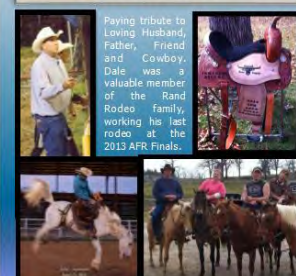


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ETHICS IN SCIENCE

In Mrs. Hickey's English class, students created observations and discussed reflections with *Flowers for Algernon*. They also discussed the role of ethics in science.



MRS. GATEWOOD'S ADVISORY GIVES STUDENTS GREAT ADVICE:

Love yourself! Be drug free!



Geologist Sandra Chandler from Arkansas Geological Survey came and spoke to the 8th grade science classes about rocks and minerals of Arkansas.



Congratulations to the MH FFA Leadership Team!!

Creed Speaking - 1st place Wyatt Petty

Public Speaking - 1st place Carson White

Extemporaneous speaking - 1st place Macie Kelley

Discussion Meet - 1st place Bodie Cotter

Opening Ceremony - 1st place -Wyatt Petty, Carlton Smith, Derek Beaver, Charity Ibarra, Jakob Penka, Brody Jennings, Brett Stockfisch;

Parli Pro - 1st place - Macie Kelly, Carson White, Zac Norwood, Caleb Burnley, Tiffany Johns, Bodie Cotter



Students from Kathy Lawrence's Child Development class observed the kindergarten classes this week. They are observing how teachers at kindergarten help their students learn.





Child Development students observe kindergarten students in Mrs. Crecilius' room.

Mountain Home High School
Choral & Theatre Departments present

Ye Merry Olde Madrigal Feaste

December 4th & 5th @ 7:30 pm
First United Methodist Church
Tickets \$22

For tickets email kmaupin@mtnhome.k12.ar.us or sahitt@mtnhome.k12.ar.us

HACKLER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL WEEK ENDING 11-21-2014

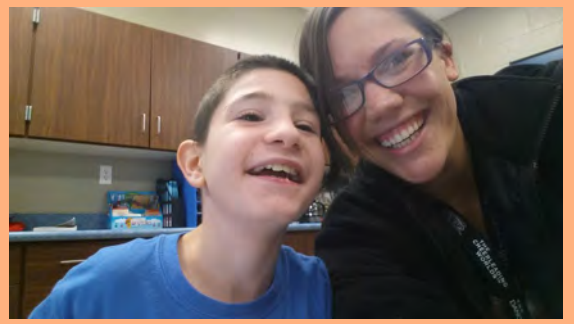


We have a lot to be thankful for at Hackler Intermediate.



GREAT STUDENTS
GREAT TEACHERS
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GREAT ADMINISTRATORS





Happy Thanksgiving!



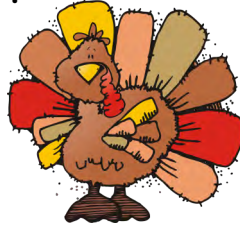
Hackler Intermediate School Newsletter

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

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



HAPPY

THANKSGIVING

Around Our School

Date: 11/20/2014

- No school for students November 24th through November 28th.
- Remember to pre-order your yearbook. The cost is \$22 with name and \$20 with NO name engraved on the cover. Make checks payable to Hackler Intermediate School. We will take orders through December 12th. You may order online at www.inter-state.com/yearbook and the code is 754783. Online orders will be taken until February 27, 2015.
- Second quarter ends December 19th.
- Report Cards will go home January 8th.



Hackler Holiday Bash is December 4th!



Congratulations Box Top Winners Clare Ross & Madelynn Lynch



Each winner received two movie tickets.

We will have more drawings, so remember to send in your box tops!

Community Opportunities

- ♦ The Arkansas Arts Center's Art Mobile, a 40+ft. mobile gallery containing original works from the Arts Center's permanent collection, is at the Donald W. Reynolds Library Serving Baxter County. The 2014-15 exhibition is titled *Work/Play*,
- ♦ Art Mobile Hours: Tuesday, November 18, through Friday, November 21, 10:00am to 6:00pm and Saturday, November 22, 10:00am – 5:00pm



Hackler Holiday Bash

December 4th, 2014



5:00-7:00



Hackler staff is so excited about this years Holiday Bash:

A Seussical Event

*Free
Christmas
Movie*

Activities Cost 1 Ticket

Free
Popcorn!!

Tickets are \$1



Photo Booth
Dodge Ball
Pictures with Duke
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Christmas Ornaments
Cookie Decorating
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Hot Chocolate



Count Down to Christmas Craft



Mrs. Rogers

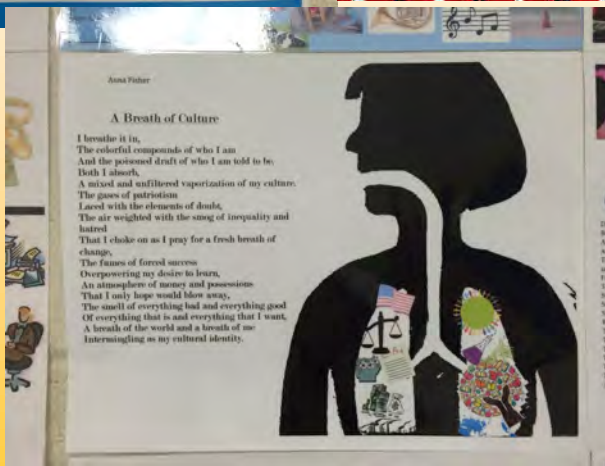
Frida Kahlo/Pat Mora Project

As part of a cultural perspectives' unit, my students had the opportunity to explore two artistic perceptions through different genres. First, we studied Frida Kahlo, and, in particular, her painting Self Portrait between the Borderline of Mexico and the United



States. This work shows Frida's representation of her feelings about each setting, her loyalty clearly on the Mexican side, as indicated by her holding the Mexican flag in her hand, along with depictions of nature in a Mexican landscape with colorful varieties of blooming plantlife and roots that penetrate the earth. Other images include two fertility figures, a stone skeleton's head, a pyramid, and the sun and moon. On the other side of the painting, Kahlo represents an industrious United States with blaring speakers, a flood light, machinery, a concrete block, and cables from all these mechanisms rooted into the earth. Gray pipes, smokestacks, and a grimy beige background swallow up skyscrapers and the American flag with the name "Ford" written across industrialized chimneys. Next, we examined a poem by Pat Mora, Legal Alien, in which she accomplishes much the same result through words instead of images. She explains that, because she is bilingual, half Hispanic and half American, she never really feels like she belongs in either place. After having studied both artists, I assigned students the project of depicting their own cultures through each medium where a definite divide had to exist between diverse topics.





Students in Mrs. Toni Rogers classes present their Frida/Pat Projects as a mural on the wall in the 400 hallway at MHHS. Each student representation shared a definite divide between diverse topics of their lives. The visual and written expression, from each student, showed many personal and emotional experiences of events that have occurred in their lifetime.

FBLA COLOR YOUR FUTURE

Color Run Winners

The Mountain Home High School FBLA Chapter would like to congratulate the winners of our Color Your Future With FBLA color run winners. They are:

Group 1



1 Kenna Vostatek

Group 2



1 Robert Allen

Group 3



1 Robin Myers



2 Aspen Vostatek



2 Hannah Lynch



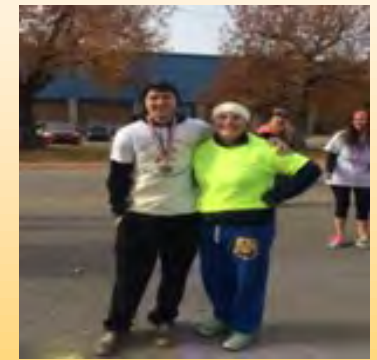
2 Carol Norris



3 Brooks Amburgy



3 Kimberly Hinkle



3 Justin Clouse

Once again congratulations to our winners and thank you to all of our sponsors and runners who participated in the race!

**MHHS
Students
Partner
with
Pinkston
Middle
School**



BigLil Mentoring project met with Letitia Olson to get some mentoring training for their BigLil project. It is a mentoring program for middle school girls by trained high school mentors. Each middle school girl will be paired up with a mentor who has faced a similar struggle or has similar interests. Each month we will have a meeting in the Schliemann Center for Women's Health Education of Baxter Regional Medical Center after school. These monthly meetings are intended to be a night of support through other mentors and a chance to build a relationship with their peers. Speakers will also be at several of the monthly meetings to share their own experiences or to teach on subjects that are crucial to developing a healthy state of mind, positive body image, and how to develop genuine relationships. Along with these meetings of support, we will have a monthly activity or fun night. At these events, the girls will be given a chance to build friendships in the group and have a stress-free evening.

All costs that may be included will be provided through sponsors from the community.

The program will be partnering with Pinkston Middle School in December to pair up middle school girls with high school girls. If you would like more information about BigLil please check out: <http://biglilmentoring.weebly.com>

EAST Students Introduce “GREEN” as the Newest Member of MHHS Athletics



Several students have taken the initiative to develop a recycling plan for athletic events. The students will be kicking off their recycling campaign at the Basketball games this Saturday. Please help promote the initiative by placing your recyclable aluminum cans and bottles in the blue recycle bins at the game. "Keep it green and pristine".

Pinkston Middle School



Week ending 11.21.14



Alex M. 7th



Lexus W. 7th



Eric D. 6th



Ava S. 7th



Charlie P. 7th

Thank you to all the students and families that donated to the One Million Meals Food Drive!



Many students opened their hearts to and minds to make a difference this holiday season by bringing an awareness of our community members that have food insecurities. Students ran a campaign for several days and were able to give food to many families this Thanksgiving. Our kids truly have service hearts!



Turkeys Everywhere!

Pinkston G/T students created turkeys out of coffee cups, colored paper, and little eyes. They filled each cup with cocoa and mints to share throughout the building. Thank you kids!! 😊



Attendance!

Students miss so much if they are not at school. There are numerous learning opportunities throughout the day that impact kids. One Pinkston Professional Learning Community recognizes that attendance is extremely important and is taking action! They are recognizing students for attendance. This month they recognize: Derrik, Cheriakee, Ethan, Olivia, Cole, Sierra, Hunter, Sydney, Dylan, and Camden
Good Job Kids!

Thank you Pinkston PLC for recognizing and taking action on student attendance!

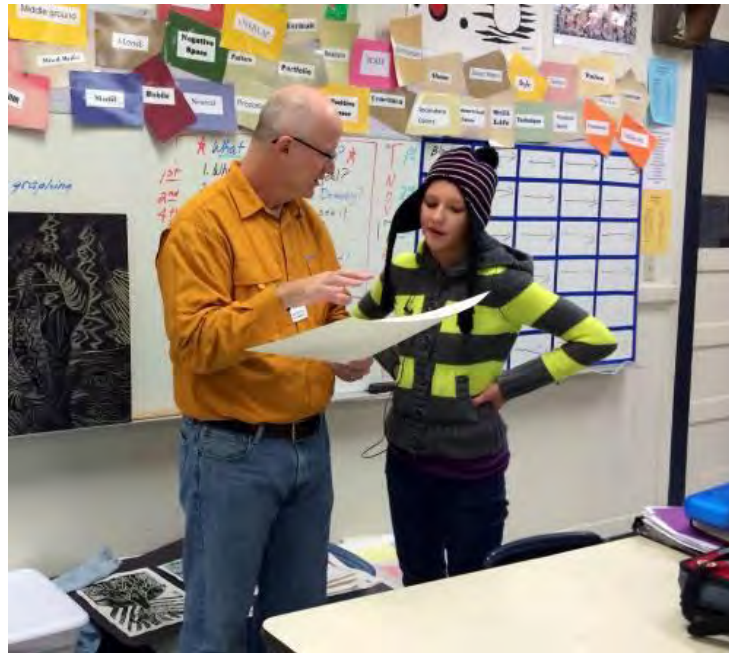


EAST @Pinkston

EAST students presented their current projects to the school board on November 20, 2014. EAST students also sponsored a hat day to raise funds for the EAST conference in March of 2015. Anyone that would like to support our students in EAST and Pinkston's STEM projects please contact Mrs. Ashley Dunavan or Ms. McWilliams at 870-425-1236



ART at Pinkston



Pinkston is thankful for DARE officers



Pinkston Middle School @Pinkstonmiddle

EAST at Pinkston @AdunavanEast

7th Grade Promise @deniselauerman

DARE @campfield10

Pinkston Media Center @pmslibrary12

Upcoming Pinkston Middle School Events

- Nov. 3-14 – Can food drive “One Million Meals”
- Nov. 14 – Progress Reports go home
- Nov. 20 – Make Up Picture Day
- Nov. 26-28 – Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 9 – Band Concert – PM at Dunbar
- Dec. 11 – Band Recitals
- Dec. 16 – Choir Concert – PM at Dunbar



**NOMINATION FORM FOR
MOUNTAIN HOME HALL OF HONOR
2015**



Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (ZIP)

Nominee's Telephone Number: _____

Purpose of Nomination: _____Alumnus
(Year Graduated)

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(Years in MH School System)

_____Support Staff (Earnest Perry Award)
(Years in MH School System)

_____Community Partner Award
(Years involved with school)

Please provide **as much information as possible** in order to assist the Hall of Honor Committee as they make selections:

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Awards Received by Nominee: _____

Educational Background: _____

Professional Accomplishments: _____

Personal Information (family, hobbies, etc): _____

Please write a brief letter which explains why you feel this person should be selected for the Mountain Home Hall of Fame:

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Deadline: April 15, 2015

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Box Tops Parties

Each student received a Native American Headdress with their own Indian Name. They also got to decorate cookies to look like turkeys! Lastly, students gobbled their cookie up! Yum! Yum! ☺

(Thank you Ashley Havens, State Farm Agent, for sponsoring our parties!)

Ms. Goings' 1st grade class







Mrs. Edward's 2nd grade class





