

April, '19

USD 224
Clifton-Clyde



Eagle Express

News from the Superintendent

Dear Patrons,

Spring is finally upon us. I hope everyone gets a chance to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather before we're overtaken by mosquitos. For schools, and families, Spring can be one of the busiest times of the year. We have spring school sports, organizational activities (FFA, FBLA, etc), spring community activities, etc. Please make sure you're doing your best to schedule appointments around school times, or wait until summer, as kids are missing a lot of time right now with activities.

Last week the USD 224 district leadership team met with our outside visitation team (OVT). The OVT is a team composed of 3 individuals from other schools that come to verify that we're following the improvement process the state has outlined, compliment and appreciate our work we've done, and then offer suggestions to the district team as to next steps. The OVT was impressed by our district's work and also excited about what we have in store for our kids and our communities. The goals established by the district team will be presented and adopted by the 224 Board of Education. After their approval you'll begin to see those goals and action steps towards those goals.

Again, as I've done many times, I'm going to plug our online presence. If you don't have the app stop reading now and go download it. With the app you are able to find schedules, updated calendars, and instant notifications. That, in conjunction with our Facebook page, you can find out 99% of what's happening in USD 224 at any time. The Facebook page contains information on our kids that attended the TVL Art Festival, Spring Break video of kids' Spring Break activities, and a multitude of other items we can't display on the website or in a newsletter.

Springtime also brings around a season that we have at Clifton-Clyde that many schools don't and that is the trap shooting team Clifton-Clyde Sharpshooters. The Sharpshooters have 2 practices a week, Sunday and Wednesday. When their competition begins they will shoot here and then enter their scores online against teams from across the state. If you'd like to watch, safely, they'd be happy to have you join them east of the Clifton American Legion building. Good luck to them this year.

If you have any questions please contact me at any time. I'd love to share with you about what's happening at USD 224.

Sincerely,
Art Baker,
Clifton-Clyde Supt./HS Principal

Upcoming: -No School April 19 or April 22
-MS Awards Night May 10
-HS Graduation May 12

Sacco wins KAESP State Award

With a gymnasium filled with students, teachers, staff, and his family watching, Clifton-Clyde Grade and Middle School Principal Eric Sacco got a surprise Thursday morning. Sacco was presented with the Kansas Association of Elementary School Principals' (KAESP) National Distinguished Principal Award for 2019.

As a result of the award, Sacco will represent Kansas at the National Association of Elementary School Principals' Distinguished Principals Program in Washington, D.C., in October, with winners from the 49 other states.

Sacco had been named KAESP District 2 principal of the year earlier this school year. District 2 extends from Topeka to Lyons and north to the Nebraska border.



Eric Sacco (left) pictured with Ellsworth Elementary Principal Patrick Schroeder after receiving KAESP National Distinguished Principal Award

“None of this is possible without great students and great staff members,” said Mr. Sacco after hearing he received the award.

Mr. Sacco has been the CCGS and MS principal for the past 8 years and currently serves as the KAESP state president.

CCMS Elective News!!!

With some changes that have been made with staffing, and as was mentioned in the March Eagle Express Newsletter, next year, 7th and 8th graders will be given an elective class that runs for 30 minutes each day. These electives are semester long electives (exception is band). With this being the first year of electives for our 7th and 8th graders, students will be placed in a first semester and second semester class. At the end of the year, we will evaluate the elective courses before making a determination on next school year.

2019-2020 CCMS 7th /8th Grade Electives:

Band (Mrs. Pierson) – 7th and 8th grade will have a combined band. This elective is year long.

Introduction to Weights and Conditioning Training (Mr. Wurtz) – This class will develop a working knowledge of essential concepts, techniques, safety rules, practices, and principles of weight training

STEM Robotics and Coding (Mr. Begnoche) – Students will use different coding programs and robotics to gain knowledge of coding and programming

Creative Writing (Mrs. Beikmann) - Students will be creating original forms of descriptive writing, poetry, and fiction. We will also be publishing a monthly newsletter!

3D Design (Ms. Miller) - Don't like to draw, but love clay and working with your hands? This is the class for you! Students will experience projects outside of normal art classes involving new medias and techniques. They will work primarily with clay that goes in the kiln and also modeling clay, plaster, sculptures, paper mache, printmaking, weaving, and more!



High School College Campus Visit information

Although there are multiple group college visit trips planned throughout high school, group college visits should NOT be the only college visits your student takes. Taking advantage of as many group visits as possible is a great way to explore multiple campuses and get a general idea of the college offerings. It is very beneficial to go on as many college visits as possible throughout high school to ensure the college is the best fit!

10th grade, 11th grade, as well as the fall of your child's 12th grade year is an ideal time to schedule individual college visits with your HS student. Individual college visits are visits when parents take their student to campuses to get an individualized idea of the college campus. Individual campus visits usually include meeting with an admissions rep, visiting academic area of interest, and going on a campus tour. You can also ask to talk to someone about scholarships and financial aid. Students are allowed excused absences for individual college visits their sophomore, junior, and senior years (refer to the student handbook). Group visits do not count against their allowed individual college visits.

Call campus admissions to schedule an individual campus visit with your child (some numbers are below).

You can virtually tour campuses with this link - <http://www.ecampustours.com/>

KSU admissions - 532-6250

FHSU admissions - 628-4000

Cloud admissions - 785-243-1435 ext 212

WSU admissions - 316-978-3456

Washburn admissions - 785-670-1030

MATC admissions - 785-587-2800

Congratulations to Jett Skocny, April Student of the Month.

Jett Skocny is a Freshman at Clifton-Clyde High School and is the son of Josh and Molly Skocny. He has participated as a member of the Division I District Championship football team as well as basketball and track this year. Jett has been involved in FBLA and qualified for the FBLA State Conference in Business Procedures. Jett enjoys being involved in the St. John's CYO group and has participated in The Kelly Youth Rally, Feed My Starving Children, and the Salina Diocese CYO Convention where their unit was named The Outstanding CYO Unit of the Year. He has been on the Honor Roll and maintains a 4.0 GPA. Jett is interested in Business and Salesmanship, but is still undecided about his future plans following high school.





CCMS/GS Participates in Ultra Fun Run

On April 10 the CCMS and CCGS students participated in the Ultra Fun Run. This run helps to raise funds for special projects at CCMS/GS. A great time, and great weather, was enjoyed by all. Thank you to all of you that donated.



NHS Hosts Princess Day

On Saturday, April 6, the CCHS gym was taken over by 16 mini-princesses as NHS hosted Princess Day.

Throughout the event the young ladies were pampered and treated like the princesses they are.



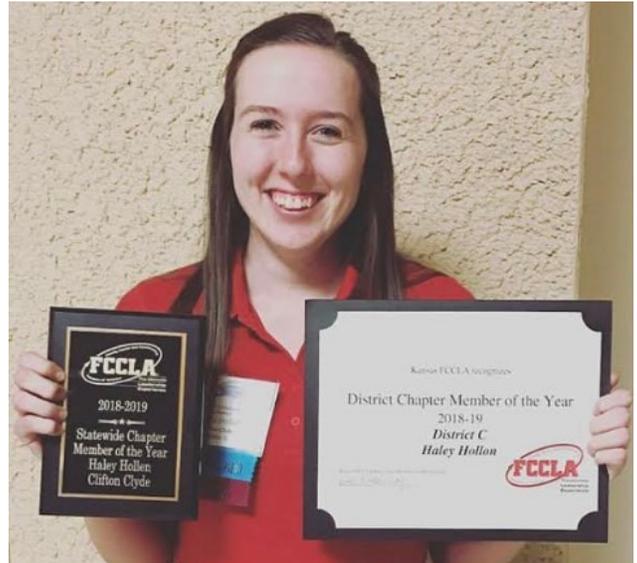
#CliftonClydePride

CCHS Senior Haley Hollon Wins FCCLA Statewide Chapter Member of the Year Award

On April 8 at the opening ceremony of the state FCCLA conference in Wichita, CCHS Senior Haley Hollon was recognized as the FCCLA Statewide Chapter Member of the Year.

Haley was recognized for her recruitment of others to FCCLA, carrying out chapter activities, participation in STAR events, and attending regional and state FCCLA conferences.

Congratulations to her and her sponsor,
Mrs. Sam Reith.



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