



The AM Jet Newsletter



Chary Weilert's
Science News



7th Grade Life Science

Seventh grade life science students started the year learning how to use a microscope, which allowed them to take a sneak peak at the microscopic world in a drop of pond water. Next, after learning the basic anatomy of plant and animal cells, seventh graders constructed their own models of animal cells and tissues. Finally, students conducted an investigation and dissection of plant stems to see if they could find evidence of tissues in plants.

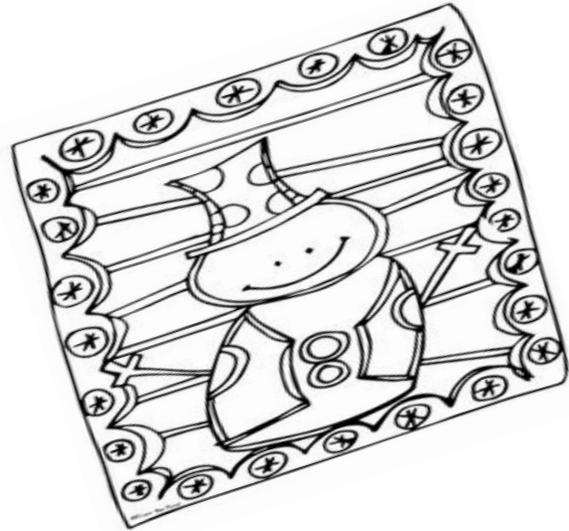
8th Grade Earth and Space Science

With a year under their belt learning lab safety and lab expectations, eighth graders jumped into several projects at the beginning of the year. The focus of those projects included erosion prevention, formation and identification of rocks, mineral characteristics, understanding layers of the earth, and deep ocean currents. Eighth graders are looking forward to their next big project: making and flying models of hot air balloons!

Environmental Science (high school)

High school environmental science students began learning about their outdoor environment by collecting insects and making an insect collection. This fun activity laid the foundation for other lessons in classification, writing scientific names, and how to use a dichotomous key. With colder weather making it difficult to enjoy the outdoors, students stayed inside and counted, captured, marked and released many "wild beans" for population studies.





Ms. Day's 5th & 6th Grade Science Projects

The 5th and 6th grades are having a blast in science! First, the 5th grade learned about engineering and technology. They learned how the engineering design process works, and used their knowledge to build and test balloon powered cars.

Then they learned about matter and it's different forms. They saw chemical and physical changes when they tested unidentified powders with different liquids to identify them.

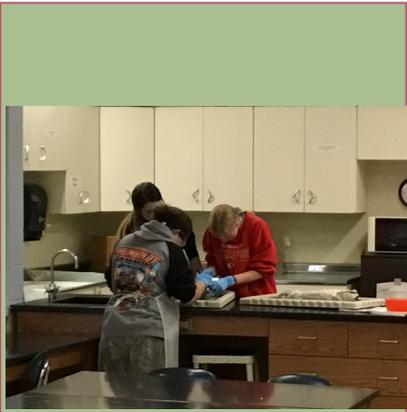
The 6th grade has learned about different forms of energy and how energy transfers. They used their knowledge of potential and kinetic energy to build roller coaster tracks for marbles. They also learned how heat energy transfers and built lunchboxes to keep food cold.

We can't wait to see what else we can learn in science this year!



Season's greetings from Mr. Weilert

Science classes use a variety of learning strategies to master concepts. After weeks of activities that included creating models of muscle out of toothpicks, building skeletons out of paper, exercising to better explain muscle fatigue and making microscopic observations in the lab, the anatomy and physiology class is ready to start their journey in dissection. Biology students study the cells that they have created to learn about cell structure and physiology. Physical science students learn about Newton's Laws by designing, evaluating and refining a device that minimizes the force on an object (an egg in this case) during a collision. They tied their experience to real world issues such as designs in the automobile industry and helmet design to reduce concussions.



Ms. Reazin's Newsletter

Our first nine weeks pastries for parents and school assembly was held Friday, October 25th . Thank you everyone that attended. The High Flyer Award was presented to:

Preschool:

Titus Tindle is a joy to have in class. He helps keep the room clean and organized. He is always excited to know what we are doing next. Titus is great at keeping on task even if there are distractions. Thank you Titus, keep up the great job! Titus loves to play at school and at home he likes to help clean up. He wants to be an airplane pilot when he grows up. Titus is the son of Randall and Ashley Tindle.

Gannon Olson is so fun to have in class; he is always ready for class with a big smile. He loves knowing what we are doing and when we get to do it. Gannon is very helpful in the classroom and willing to do extra! He is also a great friend. He is always positive no matter what. Keep up the great job Gannon! Gannon's favorite activity at school is going outside to the playground. When he is at home he likes to play outside and when he grows up he wants to be a fireman. Gannon is the son of Bryson and Tianna Olson

The kindergarten High Flyer is Ainsley Wheeler. Ainsley is a hard worker! She comes prepared to learn and goes above and beyond all expectations. She helps her friends when needed and helps her teacher without even being asked. She's not only a great student but also a great friend to everyone. Congratulations Ainsley. Ainsley's favorite activity at school is P.E., and home she likes to play outside. When she grows up she wants to be a dentist. Ainsley is the daughter of Kevin and Lacy Wheeler.

The first grade high flyer is Luke Keeling. Luke is a very kind boy. He is always more than willing to help anyone and proves to be a good friend to everyone. He works hard on every task he is given and doesn't give up. He enjoys learning new things and is always wondering what he will be learning next. Anytime he is asked to do something, he makes sure to quickly do it. He strives to make good choices and set a good example for all of his peers. He is quick to bring a smile to your face and has a silly, contagious laugh that he uses sparingly. He makes our classroom a better place. Luke's favorite activity at school is playing outside, at home he likes to go outside and when he grows up he wants to be a fire fighter. Luke is the son of David and Wendy Wade.

LeRee Parsons is the 2nd grade high flyer. LaRee has been a great addition to our class. She is always willing to work with anyone in the classroom without complaint. No matter what the task is, she puts all of her effort in and is a very hard worker. I have even caught her helping a few of her classmates during math stations, explaining the concept to them. She is my top bucket filler!! Great job LaRee! Keep it up! LaRee's favorite subject is P.E., at home she likes to play outside and when she grows up she wants to be a scientist. LaRee is the daughter of Daniel and Julie Parsons.



MR. & MS. MANNERS

**PAYTON BAIRD
ALANA GOODSELL**



**HIGH FLYERS 4TH GRADE TO PRE-K
MISSING GANNON ☹**



**AMES
HONOR
ROLL**



Ms. Reazin's Newsletter cont'd

The 3rd grade high flyer is Destiny Raymond. It has been wonderful to have Destiny in class this year! She is kind, unique, and very funny! She is an amazing student who is always doing the right thing! I know I can always count on her to follow directions and set a great example for others. Destiny gets along with everyone and knows how to work with others. Thank you for being respectful, responsible and a great listener! I know you will keep it up! Destiny's favorite activity at school is lunch, at home she likes to read and when she grows up she wants to be an Engineer. Destiny is the daughter of Tim and Tonia Raymond.

The 4th grade high flyer is Chance Mustain. Chance is always attentive and willing to work. He tries hard and puts forth effort needed to be successful. Chance is always kind to his classmates, treats everyone with respect and stays out of drama. Keep up the good work Chance. Chance's favorite subject is science and social studies. When he is at home he likes to be with his animals and when he grows up he wants to be a bull rider. Chance is the son of John and Brandi Mustain

Mr. and Ms. Manners were Payton Baird and Alana Goodsell

Our next Pastries for Parents is Friday, January 10th

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!





It's absolutely amazing what the kindergarten class has learned. The class has been introduced to thirteen of the 45 sounds of the basic English language. They are learning phonological awareness, word recognition and comprehension. They soak up knowledge like sponges. We will be finishing up our "Community Hero" theme and start a theme called "Happy Healthy Me." With new units come new flash cards. Please continue to practice these at home.

The math curriculum has covered simple word problems, greater than/less than, comparing and matching sets and working on addition and subtraction. Their brains are getting so heavy; it's a wonder they can hold their heads up!

With Thanksgiving coming up, the Kinder-Jets will be learning about the history of the holiday and making cute crafts to share with their family. A big thank you to John Troutman for sharing what it's like to be a firefighter. The students enjoyed touring the fire station and trying on a real fire fighter coat.

Congratulations to Ainsley Wheeler for being the first quarter AMES high flyer and for Makayla Mustain for being the star reader reading 84 books this nine weeks. We had three perfect attendance awards given out, Makayla Mustain, Jakobe Schaffer, and Ezra Joy.

The Kinder-Jet classroom has two November birthdays to celebrate. Ainsley on the 25th and Emily on the 29th! Happy 6th Birthday to both of these Jets!

Please check your child's folder daily and initial the calendar.

Thank you for sharing your child with me!

Dana Stierwalt

Third Grade



ELA

Our current ELA Module Theme is Teamwork. First, students read *Crossing Bok Chitto* by Tim Tingle and discussed ideas for different ways we can help people. For their module writing task, students wrote stories about a character helping someone. We have some very creative writers!

We are currently reading *Soccer Shootout* by Jake Maddox and discussing the importance of teamwork. Students are also practicing these skills as they work with a group on a research project. For the project, they must research an animal, create a poster with information, and present it to the class. They are doing a great job learning to work with others!

Science

Our most recent science unit covered physical science, including forces, motion, and magnetism. The students' favorite part was getting to experiment with magnets! Students also had opportunities to come up with ideas for how magnets are used to solve real world problems. In December, students will be beginning life science, where they will learn about life cycles and animal adaptations! We are looking forward to that one!

Social Studies

The last couple of months, third grade has been learning about geography, culture, and government. We are now beginning our next unit, where we will learn about American Indians and European settlement of North America!

10-15-2019

Altoona-Midway USD 387
Minutes of Board Meeting
Wilson County

Board Meeting Date: October 14, 2019

Meeting Held At: District Office

Board Members Present:	President – David Hutchison	Member: Lynsee Relph
	Vice President – Rita Drybread	Member:
	Member: Sharon Frankenbery	Member:
	Member: Wendy Wade	

The regular meeting of USD 387 Board of Education was held October 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at the District office.. All board members were present with the exception of Billy Graham. Others that attended were Kim Reazin, Brent Kaempfe, Darrin Ashmore, and Reyna Almond, Board Clerk.

Approval of Agenda

Lynsee Relph moved, Sharon Frankenbery seconded the motion to **approve the agenda** with additions. Carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Rita Drybread moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **approve the Consent agenda consisting of September minutes and Claim Vouchers B, striking the Treasurer's Report.** Carried 5-0. President David Hutchison left the meeting at 7:23 and Vice-President Rita Drybread lead the meeting. Sharon Frankenbery moved. Lynsee Relph seconded the motion to **approve payment of Voucher A.** Carried 4-0. President David Hutchison returned to the meeting at 7:24

Open Comments from the public

An invitation was given to the board to the FCCLA Top Jet competition t be held Saturday October 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Reports and Presentations

Sharon Frankenbery: ANW Co-op

October 9, 2019

Sharon Frankenbery, Rep to ANW

- Under the Association report Korenne Wolken reported that staff are encouraged to wear red on Nov 20 in support of national education week.
- Doug Tressler said the VI-B Federal Grant has been submitted, approved and ANW had made its first drawdown, KASB training program for our mandatory content is online, ANW had its first advisory committee meeting on Oct 3. They will meet 4 times a year and administration is reviewing IEPs weekly. There are 1100 students with IEPs.
- Lynette Brungardt discussed information she had learned from a couple of conferences she attended and said that preschool is huge and the importance of preschool is gaining attention.
- Harry Heppler reported that 165 had received CPI training and 21 more would be trained last Friday and 2 refresher courses are scheduled. 201 paras and 47 are new and he has 13 positions to fill. He attended a CDL workshop.
- Chuck Wood discussed how important of research based SPED programs.

New Business:

- Approved contract with SEK-CAP for preschool services. Approved the updated para handbook
- Executive session was held to discuss student issue.
- Motion to hire 2 additional social workers to deliver services to smaller districts was approved with one no vote.
- Cindy Folk the board clerk submitted her resignation effective at the end of this school year. Accepted with regrets.

Rita Drybread: Foundation Update

- The Foundation met October 14, 2019
- Possible fundraiser ideas are Amazon Smile, License Plate Sales and employee payroll deductions.
- The Amazon Smile account has been set up.

District-Wide Issues-Brent Kaempfe

- Both buildings each have AED's
- EMints Grant
- November BOE-possible walk thru
- Fire Marshall inspections and Food Safety Inspections went well
- KSDE and KASBO Conferences are coming up in October
- CTE Pathways are going strong
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Darrin Ashmore: A-M Middle & High School

- The Junior class took a pre-ACT test
- National Honor Society had their induction ceremony. There are now 14 members
- Senior Night took place at the October 11th Football game
- Conferences are Wednesday and Thursday October 16th and 17th
- Homecoming is Friday October 25th
- Spirit week is the week of October 21-25

Kim Reazin: A-M Elementary School

- *Fredonia Arts council sponsored a Laser Science Show-Friday, October 11th
- *Conferences the 16th and 17th
- *AMES is participating in the high school homecoming activities this year and we are coming up Monday, October 21st for an assembly
- *The 25th-Pastries for Parents/awards assembly
- *Prek-2-Pumpkin Patch in Chanute on the 25th
- *Red Ribbon/Anti Bullying Week-Oct. 28th-Nov. 1st
Chelcey has taken care of everything
- *Kids will be guessing how much a pumpkin weighs-I have to get it from my brother this weekend.
- *Teachers are decorating pumpkins to go with animals-students and staff will vote and PTO is sponsoring a prize for the top three
- *Halloween parties-31st
- *1st quarter grant activities were a success we had around 40 students participate on T/T
- *2nd quarter activities will include arts/crafts, cooking for 2nd-4th, could you survive, boom whackers, kid's games, homework helper, photography, and STEM.
- 4th grade has been doing Coding with Ozobot

- Fourth grade has been coding with Ozobots. Ozobots were first presented in STEM during our after school program and carried into the classroom. So far we have done color-coding. Color codes teach basic coding concepts like cause/effect, critical thinking, and debugging. Students will create a 3-D town that their Ozobot will travel through having specific criteria and restraints

OLD BUSINESS**KJUMP Gas Member Participation Agreement**

Sharon Frankenbery moved, Rita Drybread seconded the motion to **sign a Gas Member participation agreement with KJUMP**. Carried 5-0.

Clean Diesel Grant

Mr. Kaempfe has completed the application for the grant

NEW BUSINESS

November Elections

Discussed the upcoming Board elections

21st Century Grant Conference

- Mr Kaempfe attended the Project Directors workshop in Wichita.
- Mr.Kaempfe will begin the pre-application process for the next 5 years
- December will be our compliance evaluation

Board Representative for Calendar Meeting

Rita Drybread moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **appoint Lynsee Relph as the board representative for the calendar committee** Carried 4-0. Lynsee Relph abstained.

Government Capital Resolution

Lynsee Relph moved, Sharon Frankenbery seconded the motion to **approve the resolution regarding a lease purchase agreement** for the purpose of financing a roof, sidewalks, HVAC System upgrades, track concrete and fencing. Carried 5-0.

Animals in Storm Shelter

Lynsee Relph moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **approve a sign stating, “No pets allowed” in the storm shelter.** The grade school serves as a community shelter for storms. Carried 5-0

Personnel

Sharon Frankenbery moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **accept the resignation of Treasure Hoag as HS Volleyball coach.** Carried 5-0.

Sharon Frankenbery moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **hire Bryn Dick as HS Volleyball coach, Sara Klauman as Assistant VB coach and Randy Almond as Head MS Boys BBall coach.** Carried 5-0.

Rita Drybread moved, Lynsee Relph seconded the motion to **hire Katie Almond as the At Risk Aide for the Middle and High School.** Carried 5-0.

Executive Session

David Hutchison moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel.** Carried 5-0. The meeting reconvened at 8:34 p.m. David Hutchison moved, Wendy Wade seconded the motion to **go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel.** Carried 5-0. The meeting reconvened at 8:39 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Announcements

Next meeting: November 11th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. District Office

Homecoming: October 25th

FCCLA: Top Jet Competition October 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner: November 20, 2019 at Noon. Please RSVP to the High School



Culinary Essential Students receive ServSafe Food Handlers Certification.

ServSafe is an educational program that was developed by the National Restaurant Association. The main goal is to educate food service workers about food safety.

ServSafe Certification means that you have sufficient knowledge about food safety to earn one of their certifications. There are four different ServSafe Certifications ServSafe Food Manger, ServSafe Food Handler, ServSafe Alcohol, and ServSafe Allergens.

The ServSafe food handler certificate is the most popular certification awarded. The purpose of the certification is to ensure that you have an understanding of basic food safety. Earning one of this certification is a two-step process. First you learn the subject and then pass the exam.

The exam covers five categories basic food safety: personal hygiene; time and temperature; cross-contamination and allergens; cleaning and sanitation. Once the student has received the certification, they can use it to assist them in getting a job in any restaurant.

The following students earned and were awarded the ServSafe Certification for this year Joseph Leach, Brandi Allen, Brooklynn Shinkle, Natalie Davis, Payge Cunningham, Sophia Willard, and Sierra Eaton. Congratulations!!!

News from Ms. Caylor & FCCLA

FCCLA has had a very busy month. FCCLA started October preparing Take Home Meals and pies for families. We sold 70 meals and 42 pies. Thanks to all the community members that purchased. We hope you enjoyed the meals. We are currently taking orders for pumpkin, cherry, and apple pies or cheesecake. They will be delivered before Thanksgiving.

FCCLA members attended Fall Leadership Conference in Caney, Kansas. Kylee Wade, being the District President, had a lot of responsibilities and demonstrated her leadership skills well. Members that attended and represented Altoona-Midway with pride was Tiffany Kuhn, Alyssa Relph, Bailey Graham, Conner Houghton, Abi Elesser, and Sharie Poverlein.

FCCLA hosted the third annual Top Jet Competition. I am very proud of these students that spent their Friday and Saturday off school to prepare food for the competition. We had four teams compete. The first team, Kylee Wade and Dayton Marsh, prepared Mac and Cheese Pulled Pork, Bacon Wrapped Meatballs, and Dirt Cake.

The second team, Sophia Willard and helpers Conner Houghton and Zack Sade, prepared Minis pizza's, Shrimp Tacos, and Cannoli's. Our third team, Alyssa Relph and Mariah Stackhouse, prepared Cornbread, Chili and Cinnamon rolls. Our final team, Thaleana Hill and Joseph Leach, prepared Cucumber Stuffed Cherry Tomatoes, Chicken and Spinach Wontons, and Mint Chocolate Chip Raspberry Cupcakes.

The community members in attendance tried each of the food items and voted for their favorite. The favorite Entrée was awarded for Alyssa Relph, and Mariah Stackhouse for their chili. The Favorite Appetizer and also the Favorite Dessert were both awarded to Dayton Marsh and Kylee Wade. Winning Appetizer was Mac and Cheese pulled pork and Favorite Dessert was the Dirt Cake. Kylee and Dayton also took home the Top Jet trophy for winning the most categories.

Live competitions that night included a Nailed it Competition. The students were given 20 minutes to build a haunted house out of graham crackers and Halloween candy they were given. Mariah and Alyssa won the Nailed it Competition.

In The Live dessert competition, the students were given two mystery ingredients and had to run back to the classroom and get the anything else they might need. The mystery ingredients this year were coconut flakes and a can of pumpkin. A panel of judges judge this round of the competition. The judges this year were Jeff Almond, Diane Dixon, and Brian Dixon. The judges panel chose Kylee and Dayton's dish Named "The Ultimate Winner" with pumpkin and coconut pancakes.





FCCLA is ending the month with a scary movie night, popcorn and snacks.

FCCLA would like to invite everyone to attend the Community Thanksgiving Dinner on November 20, 2019 at noon.

FCCLA Installation of Officer Ceremony

FCCLA held their Installation of Officers on Oct.19 at the high school prior to the Top Jet Competition. The ceremony was the traditional FCCLA Candlelight ceremony.

The officer team for the 2019-2020 school year are:

Kylee Wade, President

Sophia Willard, Vice President

Bailey Graham, VP of Records

Alyssa Relph, VP of Finance

Tiffany Kuhn, VP of Community Service

Vonna O'Brien, VP of Recognition

Abi Elessar, VP of Membership

DECEMBER

2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk Choice	3 French Toast Sticks Fruit Juice Milk Choice	4 Cereal Muffin Fruit Juice Milk Choice	5 Combo Bar Fruit Juice Milk Choice	6 Sausage Gravy & Biscuit Fruit Juice Milk Choice
Pig in a Blanket Roasted Red Potatoes Broccoli w/ Cheese Cantaloupe Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Chicken Enchilada Spanish Brown Rice Romaine Lettuce Tomato Slice Cucumbers Fruit Freeze Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Cookie)	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Garden Salad Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk Choice (5 th -12 th Build a Salad) (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Super Nachos Refried Beans Apple Salad Red Pepper Strips Milk Choice (5 th -12 th Cinnamon Roll) (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Baby Carrots Citrus Fruit Cup Milk Choice (5 th -12 th W.W. Roll & Honey) (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)
9 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk Choice	10 Coffee Cake Fruit Juice Milk Choice	11 Cereal Muffin Fruit Juice Milk Choice	12 W.G. Iced Donut Fruit Juice Milk Choice	13 Pancake on a Stick Fruit Juice Milk Choice
Mini Meatball Sub Ranch Potato Wedges Vegetable Salad Applesauce Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Chicken Drumstick W. W. Roll & Jelly Baked Beans Baby Carrots Creamy Cole Slaw Fruit Fluff Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Chili Cinnamon Roll Cherry Tomatoes Cucumber Slices Banana Milk Choice (5 th -12 th Build a Salad, Whole Grain Saltines) (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Breaded Mozzarella Sticks Marinara Sauce Broccoli Florets Red Grapes Royal Brownie Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Pepperoni Pizza Oven Baked Fries Celery Sticks Apple Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)
16 PB&J Fruit Juice Milk Choice	17 Breakfast Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk Choice	18 Cereal Muffin Fruit Juice Milk Choice	19 Banana Split Juice Milk Choice	20 Cinnamon Roll Fruit Juice Milk Choice
Pork Riblet Lettuce and Tomato Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Orange (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Chicken Crispito Tortilla Chips Tomato Salsa Refried Beans Pears Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Corn Dog Green Beans Tater Tots Fruited Jello Milk Choice (5 th -12 th Build a Salad) (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)	Pizza Quesadilla Peas & Carrots Pineapple Cookie Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Tortilla Chips & Salsa Fruit Choice)	Baked Ham Scalloped Potatoes Corn Cobbette Garden Salad Frozen Fruit Cup Christmas Tree Pudding Milk Choice (9 th -12 th Fruit Choice)
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