



# North Jackson USD 335

*Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence*

## A Year In Review

Maya Angelou once said, “You can’t really know where you are going until you know where you have been.” 2019 was a special year with JHHS celebrating 50 years of educational excellence. Many Cobra memories and accomplishments were made throughout 2019. Cobra family, let’s take a stroll down memory lane and reflect on some of our highlights during 2019.

**January-**The Lady Cobras earned the 42<sup>nd</sup> Hiawatha Invitational Tournament Championship trophy with a 53-37 victory over Marysville.

**February-**The 1979 boys state championship team was honored on February 14. The Jackson Heights Forensics Team won the NEKL tournament for the third year in a row. Tanner Reed and Jessica Buck were crowned the 2019 King & Queen of Courts. The state paid for all juniors to take the ACT for the first time.

**March-**On March 2, the Lady Cobras became the 2019 sub-state basketball champions and earned the right to play in the Class 2A State Basketball tournament at FHSU.

**April-** Drew Holliday, Jodi White, Tanner Reed, Andrew Wege, and Alex Stirton placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Forestry Division at the State Envirothon. FFA took Gold (1<sup>st</sup> Place) in the District Sweepstakes.

**May-**JHES was honored to receive the Shifting School Culture Character Recognition at the Kansas Schools of Character Recognition Program. Six Cobras qualified for state forensics with Faith Little earning 10<sup>th</sup> place overall in Humorous Solo Acting. The 50<sup>th</sup> class graduated from JHHS on May 19. Seventeen Cobra athletes qualified for 2019 State Track & Field, and brought home 15 medals from the state track meet.

**June-**The Jackson Heights FFA Alumni group held its 9th annual tractor drive starting in Soldier with 33 participants and serving 76 meals. Rose Thayer, Stars & Stripes Reporter, paid a visit to our infamous tunnel and missile building.

**July-** Bethany Kenworthy and Sarah Marshall, JCYC members, attended the National Community Anti-Drug

Collations of America Conference in Dallas, Texas. Jaclyn Higley, Brett Plattner, Audra Strube, Samantha Carson, Staci Fannin, and Jessica Rogers were introduced to Cobra Country as new staff members for the first time in the district newsletter.

**August-** Due to a new KSHSAA regulation, the high school Cobra football team had its annual scrimmage at JCN instead of at our annual fall pep rally. JHES unveiled “The Greatest School” theme and 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade classes began coding as a collaboration class. Dual credit Government class returned to JHHS, PBL World History was added to the course schedule, and a semester of computer science was added for 7<sup>th</sup> graders to enhance their technology skills.

**September-**JHHS celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Cobra Alumni speaking to 7-12 students, elementary tunnel tours, an assembly, a dinner sponsored by Johnsonville, and a breakfast of champions.

**October-**Two after school programs started at JHES: Cobra Club for K-3 students and Robotics Club for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Jackson Heights Honor Flight Hub embarked on Honor Flight 8 with 20 student guardians and 25 Veterans. Freshmen had the opportunity to take the Pre-ACT for the first time.

**November-**USD 335 unveiled the first district web App. Daniel Little finished 4<sup>th</sup> and Annie Allen finished 18<sup>th</sup> at state cross country competition with Class 2A All State Honors. Alyssa Harris and Paige Deneault were accepted into the northeast region district band and Zach Armstrong was accepted into the Northeast District Honor Choir. The Cobra football team earned the Sectional Championship title and the chance to play in a sub-state game at Centralia.

**December-**USD 335 earned the Kansas Can Star Recognition Copper Award for Academically Prepared for Post-secondary Success. Kylie Dohl became the third girl in JHHS history to reach 1000 career points as a Lady Cobra. Cobra Singers sang at the Circleville & Soldier Senior Citizen meeting at Soldier Hall.

-Adrianne Walsh  
Superintendent

# From the Desk of the High School and Middle School Principal

We had a very productive 1<sup>st</sup> semester at Jackson Heights. As the students return to school for their 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, my message for our students is to make sure they stay on top of their classroom assignments. Missing assignments is the quickest way a student can fall behind in a class. Here are three tips that can help parents promote healthy study habits with their teens:

1. **Set a schedule:** Studying should be part of your student's daily routine, not something he or she tries to cram in the night before a test. Researchers say that students should divide out their study time over the course of the week, rather than letting due dates dictate their study time. Preparing for tests ahead of time can reduce anxiety, and finishing assignments ahead of schedule can be rewarding for students. Researchers recommend that parents and students write due dates and major deadlines on a calendar or planner to serve as a visual reminder.

2. **Eliminate distractions:** Cell phones, Facebook, and TV can quickly interrupt a productive study session. Eliminate the temptation to tune in, text, or update their status by shutting down any unnecessary electronics during scheduled study times. Since students often need a computer to complete assignments or type papers, parents should check in with their teens while they are studying.

3. **Break it up:** Maintaining focus during a two-hour study session may be challenging, so know your teen's limits and divide up study time.

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester Grades-**Grades are now final for semester one. Parents and students can check these final grades by

logging on to their PowerSchool account and clicking on "Grade History". The various tabs at the top will then allow them to go back to other years as well. If a paper copy of grades is required, it can be printed from this screen or by a school official upon request. High school students can request a personal copy of their transcript or an official copy at any time by clicking on "JHHS Transcript Request" under "Students" on the school's webpage.

**Student Led Conferences-**We are very excited about having Student Led Conferences again this semester. The students have been working on their IPS (Individual Plan of Study) document throughout the school year. At the conference, your student will share with you their career interests, learning styles, future plans, schedule of courses and goals. Students will be contacting you personally and inviting you to sign up for a time slot. The meeting will occur in your student's advisory teacher's classroom.

All students will be required to prepare a presentation for conferences and present it to an adult. We hope that you are able to attend but realize that there may be circumstances that prevent you from being here. In that case, please feel free to send an adult family member or friend. If that is not possible, we will find a staff member to listen to your student's presentation. The preparation and presentation skills that students gain from these conferences and the ownership it encourages them to have in their education are important to their future successes.

We are looking forward to a great 2<sup>nd</sup> semester in Cobracountry.

-Darren Shupe,  
MS/HS Principal

## Spirit Week Themes

Monday, February 3: Breakfast Club (pajama day)  
Tuesday, February 4: Space Jam (jerseys/sports)  
Wednesday, February 5: Movie Star (Dress like a movie star.)  
Thursday, February 6: Back To the Future (decade day)  
Friday, February 7: Star of the Show (gold and green)



**Queen of Courts crowning at halftime of boys basketball game on February 7.  
Dance after the game until 11:30 pm. Admission \$2 single, \$3 couple.**



## Basketball Theme Nights

*(All students are encouraged to dress up for the games.)*

Tuesday, February 4: Jersey Night  
Friday, February 7: Green & Gold  
Tuesday, February 11: Hawaiian Night  
Thursday, February 13: White Out

# JHES - Full Speed Ahead in 2020!

We are officially past the halfway point of our 2019-20 school year, but we are not slowing down at JHES! This semester will be full of fun and challenges for our young Cobras. We have field trips to the circus coming up, robotics club, Cobra club, assemblies, state assessments, project based learning, the 100th day of school, spirit week, and so much more between now and May! Parents please remember to check folders and school fliers throughout the semester to get important information about events, dates, and times as that information is sent home.

As we battle through the winter months, the cold weather often keeps us from the outdoor activities that we love so much. Unfortunately, this can lead to increased screen time for students. Instead of turning on a screen, use the time indoors for family activities that bring everyone together. Studies show that quality family time has a positive impact on your child's academics. Increased fami-

ly time is shown to improve grades, decrease negative behaviors, and improve a child's social and emotional well-being. Family time can be making dinner together, eating together, playing board games, reading books together, doing a puzzle, building forts, playing with Lego's, the list could go on and on. As it gets cold outside, look to spend time together as a family instead of turning on a screen. Your child's grade card will show the difference!

Our JHES StuCo had a clothing drive in November and the support and donations were extremely generous! We have coats, jackets, pants, and gloves for boys and girls of every age. We've been able to help some students already, but we still have plenty more to give away. Parents if your child has any needs for more warm clothes this winter, please contact our office at 364-2244 or email me at [cody.witte@jhcobras.net](mailto:cody.witte@jhcobras.net) We want to give this all away! Please, don't hesitate to reach out to us.

-Cody Witte

Elementary Principal

## Ring Leaders of the Month

### PK

Hadleigh Ray  
Crawford Hall

### Kindergarten

Jase Russell  
Elaine Bauer  
Zaira McGee  
Carter Hare  
Imani Smith  
Cerra Edwards

### 1st Grade

Sophia Peguero  
Jackson Joiner  
Julia Robertson  
Sarie Hall  
Lila Dinwiddie  
Mason Cowsert  
Sayde Bowhay  
Cooper Alley  
Owen Morris  
Dorian Rodvelt

### 2nd Grade

Emily Mellies  
Skylar Coffman  
Kade Sides  
Weston Schooler  
Ellie Porter  
Corbin Latham  
Titus Bliss  
Brooke Breshears  
Karra Edwards  
Reed Karns  
Levi Brucken  
Kallan Ingels  
Macyn Nelson

### 3rd Grade

Matthew DeVader  
Hannah Armstrong  
Cameron Bachamp  
Bentley Arketa  
Emma Bellinghausen  
Turner Morris  
Cameron Alley  
Rylan Montgomery  
Becca Amon  
Jackson Jager  
Abby Sullivan  
Emma Bellinghausen

### 4th Grade

Nicole Amon  
Alexa Rash  
LillyAnn Wichman  
Ashlyn Brucken  
Hayden Dice  
Hunter Bishop  
Devyn Montgomery  
Sabrina Streeter  
Gracie White  
Sophie Tims  
Owen Bales  
Kaia Uhl  
Jordyn Banaka  
Madeline Jones  
Mickenzie Schlodder  
Brenden Ball  
Aiden Schumaker



### 5th Grade

Jonnathan Lemon  
Michael Robertson  
Jennifer Mellies  
Eli Kirk  
Paden Askren  
Josie Jager  
Kolden Ingels  
Sir Peek  
Sydnee Visocky  
Sofia Ivy  
Curtis Fitzgerald

### 6th Grade

Ian Allen  
Elizabeth Schultz  
Cooper Hewitt  
Drake Mellies  
Brynn Shupe  
Alexis Richter  
Ashlin Hackathorn  
Gracie Cowsert





# BLAST FROM THE PAST

## Cobra Cheerleaders at Camp

*This photo and caption was printed in a 1975 edition of The Holton Recorder*

Nine Jackson Heights High School cheerleaders attended the June 22-26 cheerleading clinic held at Central Missouri State University. More than 130 students from 23 area schools attended the clinic which placed emphasis on personality, ability with crowds, knowledge of game rules,

voice control, acrobatic ability and dedication. Attending the clinic were (top row left to right) Teresa Finger, Rhonda Smith, Sheryl Smith; (bottom row left to right) Patti Williams, Kim Cochren, Sherri Williams, Kirby Hossfeld, Janet Amon; (front) Julie Amon.



### Letterman's Club 1975-76 Yearbook

**1st Row:** Sherry Gerhardt, Myla Spencer, Sheri Oxandale, Patti Williams

**2nd Row:** Mary Troxel, Connie Minner, Kirby Hossfeld, Connie Brown, Julie Amon, Sherri Hasenkamp, Sherri Williams

**3rd Row:** Andy Askren, Ray Dyer, Daryl Wilson, Kent Askren, Larry Burdick, Jay Coverdale, Steve Patterson

**4th Row:** Perry Hossfeld, Fred Fernkopf, Phil Cochren, Scott Coleman, Randy Long, Abe Ash, Lonnie Hossfeld

**5th Row:** Johnny Basel, Don Child, Henry Pagel, Paul Dibbern, Mark Moulden, Bucke Pickett



# Governor Kelly signs proclamation for 2020 School Board Member Recognition Month

Governor Laura Kelly signed a proclamation on Dec. 6, 2019 recognizing January 2020 as “School Board Member Recognition Month” and asking Kansans to recognize “the dedication and commitment of local school board members and to furthermore join in working for a public education system that meets the needs of our state’s children today and in the future.”

Governor Kelly’s proclamation highlighted the commitment of local board of education members, noting those elected to serve on the local school board devote hundreds of volunteer hours to the governance of the local public education system, advocate for all children and are held accountable by their local communities for accomplishing the mission of public education in Kansas. To read a copy of the proclamation, go to [kasb.org/thankboe](http://kasb.org/thankboe).

## Jackson Heights High School & Middle School Announces 1st Semester Honor Roll

### Principal’s Honor Roll

Abby Brey, 12  
Erin Curtis, 12  
Kylie Dohl, 12  
Blayne Gibson, 12  
Bailey Hamilton, 12  
Drew Holliday, 12  
Joel Kennedy, 12  
MaKenzie Kennedy, 12  
Jerilyn Nelson, 12  
Sothorn Raborn, 12  
Grace Roles, 12  
Alyssa Teter, 12  
Jodi White, 12  
Abby Watkins, 11  
Zachary Brucken, 10  
Shelby Fox, 10  
Silas Holliday, 10  
McKenzie McMahon, 10  
Sadie Raborn, 10  
Alex Browning, 9  
Josie Buck, 9  
Rebekah Hutfles, 9  
Heather Mandala, 9  
Mallori Mulroy, 9  
Kanyon Olberding, 9  
Lillian Brown, 8  
Dawson Cochren, 8  
Michaela Hutfles, 8

Remington Bliss, 7  
Taylor Bosley, 7  
Kammy Dieckmann, 7  
Kade Holliday, 7  
JW Moore, 7  
Makinley Mulroy, 7  
Jace Robinson, 7

### Gold Honor Roll

Shayla Ball, 12  
Mark Tessendorf, 12  
Paige Deneault, 11  
Sarah Marshall, 11  
Kati Woltje, 11  
Annalyse Allen, 10  
Kaitlyn Stirton, 10  
Reece Williams, 10  
Taegan Binkley, 9  
Jaethen Carl, 9  
Makenna Rieschick, 9  
Emma Brucken, 8  
Haddlea Kilpatrick, 8  
Felicity Kirk, 8  
Alexandria Rollins, 8  
Jenna Joiner, 7  
Korbin Karns, 7  
Ava Rash, 7  
Clara Will, 7

### Green Honor Roll

Quinn Allen, 12  
Zach Brucken, 12  
Jill Buck, 12  
Andrew Coe, 12  
Skyla Howe, 12  
Tex Manuel, 12  
Kathleen Pino, 12  
Alex Stirton, 12  
Kassidi Strathman, 12  
Cable Wareham, 12  
Riley Watkins, 12  
Andrew Wege, 12  
Cooper Williams, 12  
Alyssa Harris, 11  
Cheyenne Hewitt, 11  
Noah Hill, 11  
Amaya Marlatt, 11  
Ben Rostetter, 11  
Jason White, 11  
Dakota Abel, 10  
Grant Amon, 10  
Ian Anderson, 10  
Wyatt Bacon, 10  
Tyson Ball, 10  
Jason Bosley, 10  
Kylee Dieckmann, 10  
Brantley Dohl, 10  
Taihler Felps, 10

Kylen Kilpatrick, 10  
Daniel Little, 10  
Jarred McAlpine, 10  
Adam Woltje, 10  
Julian Butto, 9  
Haden Doyle, 9  
Jesse Joiner, 9  
Michael Crnelison, 8  
Brayden Felps, 8  
Nathaniel Linck, 8  
Sam McKinney, 8  
David Penrod, 8  
Kryndon Proffitt, 8  
Wyatt Rollins, 8  
Jaxon Zule, 8  
Alyssa Askren, 7  
Talon Binkley, 7  
Logan Boltz, 7  
Jennifer Buck, 7  
Savannah Cattrell, 7  
Nicole DeVader, 7  
Titus Eisenbarth, 7  
Emirson Fritz, 7  
Katie Keithline, 7  
Jacob Lacey, 7  
Constance McAlpine, 7



# Meet the Class of 2020

*Each month we will showcase a different set of seniors.*



**Quinn Allen**

Quinn is the son of David and Ange of Soldier. He has been active in Circleville Christian Church, Community Core, Honor Flight, FFA, JCYC, FBLA, and FCA. Quinn has participated in football and basketball. After graduation he plans to attend Washburn University for an Associates Degree in Industrial Technology.



**Bailey Hamilton**

Bailey is the daughter of Chris and Joni Woltje of Netawaka. She has participated in FBLA, volleyball, and served as the boys basketball manager. After graduation she plans to attend Washburn University and go into the medical field.

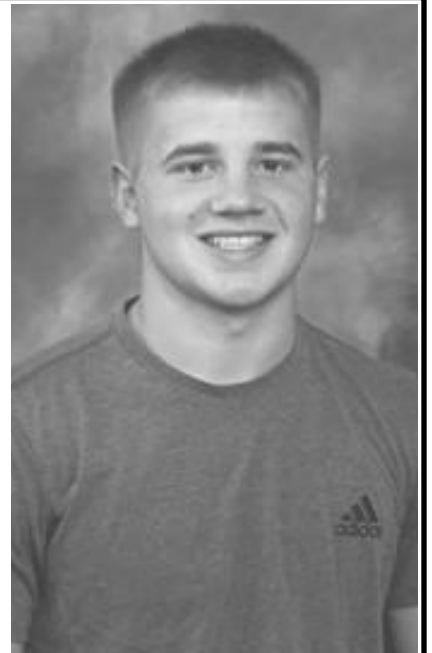
**Andrew Wege**

Andrew is the son of Kent and Jeanie Wege of Horton. He currently holds an officer position in FFA and has been active in basketball all four years of high school. After graduation, Andrew plans to continue his involvement with livestock production and work in the agricultural industry.



**Cooper Williams**

Cooper is the son of Kyle and Lori Williams of Whiting. He has participated in football and track and has competed at state track in the long jump. Cooper has received many league and county honors in football. After graduation, Cooper plans to play football at the collegiate level.



## FFA Takes 1st Place at Wamego

On January 15, 2020, the Jackson Heights FFA travelled to Wamego, Kansas to compete in the Northeast District FFA Speech Contest. Jackson Heights took first place as a team, with two members moving onto the state level in May. Josie Buck took 2nd place in Creed and Joel Kennedy took 2nd place in Extemp. Both will be moving on to the state level. Cable Wareham, who also placed in Extemp, took home 9th place. In the senior division Joel Kennedy took 4th place, followed by Jerilyn Nelson in 7th. In the junior division Shelby Phillips took 3rd place,

followed by Cheyenne Bottom in 7th place. In the sophomore division Haden Doyle took 4th place. In the Extra Upper division Jill Buck took 1st place, followed by Alex Stirton in 2nd, Andrew Wege in 3rd and Teagan Rodvelt in 4th. In the freshman division, Josie Buck took 2nd place, followed by Jaethan Carl in 7th place. In the extra freshman division, Gavin Will took 1st place, followed by Clint Lierz in 3rd, Julian Butto in 5th, and Devin Bloom in 9th. Congratulations to all the participants in the FFA Speech Contest!

*-Jill Buck,  
FFA Secretary*

## Elementary 2nd Nine Week Honor Roll

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade All A's

Nicole Amon  
Owen Bales  
Gage Edwards  
Gage Holliday  
Madeline Jones  
Marley Nickelson  
Alexa Rash  
Rylan Rodvelt  
Mickenzie Schlodder  
Sabrina Streeter  
Gracie White

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade A's & B's

Jordyn Banaka  
Kolby Bowhay  
Ashlyn Brucken  
Duke Condo  
Hayden Dice  
Devyn Montgomery  
Matthias Ramey  
Aiden Schumaker  
Sawyer Shupe  
Kaia Uhl  
LillyAnn Wichman

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade All A's

Alexis Deneault

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade A's & B's

Jarett Abel  
Paden Askren  
Grant Bales  
Gunnar Bliss  
Brody Browning  
Curtis Fitzgerald  
Ethan Gulotta  
Lakota Hewitt  
Kolden Ingels  
Eli Kirk  
Madison McKinney  
Jennifer Mellies  
Sir Peek  
Michael Robertson  
Sydnee Visocsky

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade A's & B's

Ian Allen  
Talen Browning  
Karma Carlson  
Chesnea Cochren  
Jace Doyle  
Anthony Gulotta  
Ashlin Hackathorn  
Brynn Shupe  
Brooke Slipke  
Madison Smith  
Carter Will



## Sticker Shock

Ali Teter and Kati Woltje met on December 30 to join other Jackson County students to partake in a Sticker Shock Campaign. The JCYC students divided up retail businesses and



then set out to apply stickers on liquor products being sold. The stickers serve as a reminder to customers buying adult beverages not to provide to minors. Sticker Shock is supported by the local businesses in the effort to keep beverages out of the hands of anyone under the age of 21. The sticker also give information on the fine if caught providing liquor to anyone under age. After finishing Sticker Shock, the students were rewarded with lunch at Jhett's.

*Kati Woltje is pictured above placing stickers on adult beverages at a local business.*

*-Sheri Dibbern,  
JCYC Sponsor*

## Jackson Heights Football Player Chosen For Shrine Bowl

Carson Williams, a senior at Jackson Heights has been chosen as a member of the 2020 Kansas Shrine Bowl East Squad. 72 total players from class 1A-6A state wide are picked to create the Shrine Bowl team, 36 for the East and 36 for the West. Coach Wick stated, "This is a great

honor, and should be celebrated." The East team will be practicing at Ottawa University then busing to Topeka for a parade and a banquet on Saturday, July 18. For more information please visit [KansasShrineBowl.com](http://KansasShrineBowl.com). A complete list of the East squad can be viewed below.

### 2020 KANSAS SHRINE BOWL EAST SQUAD

ADAM ALBERTINI - ST. PAUL  
LUKE BARGER - DE SOTO  
HUNTER BOONE - PRAIRIE VIEW  
TY BOWMAN - CHANUTE  
QUINN BUESSING - AXTELL  
BRIAN BURNS - BISHOP MIEGE  
JAYLEN CARTER - WASHBURN RURAL  
THOMAS COOK - BLUE VALLEY WEST  
KODY DAVOREN - ROSSVILLE  
GABE GARBER - SABETHA  
JONATHAN GOETTING - COLGAN  
DA'VONSHAI HARDEN - TOPEKA  
KORDAN HARRIS - AQUINAS  
CONNOR HASZ - PAOLA  
KAMBLE HAVERKAMP - CENTRALIA  
CONOR HAVILAND - HUMBOLDT  
COLBY HOELTING - OLPE  
ATREYAU HORNBEAK - MARYSVILLE

ISAIAH JACKSON - GARDNER-EDGERTON  
CAYPE JOHNSTON - ERIE  
KYLE KELLY - MILL VALLEY  
BRYCE KRONE - BONNER SPRINGS  
TY LINDENMAN - SM NORTHWEST  
NATE MATLACK - OLATHE EAST  
HAYDEN PAULS - EMPORIA  
GRANT ROUSH - PERRY-LECOMPTON  
KAULI SAILI - JEFFERSON WEST  
COLE SAMPLE - TONGANOXIE  
ANDREW SCHMIDTLEIN - HAYDEN  
ETHAN SHAWVER - RIVERTON  
REID SPACHMAN - BLUE VALLEY NORTH  
EVAN TAYLOR - BLUE VALLEY  
KY THOMAS - TOPEKA  
BRYCE UPHAUS - NEMAHA CENTRAL  
CARSON WILLIAMS - JACKSON HEIGHTS  
DARIQ WILLIAMS - PARSONS



# February is National Children's Dental Health Month!



The Jackson Heights School District will be participating in the Kansas Department of Health and Education (KDHE) oral screening program this year. Over a hundred thousand children from pre-K to Grade 12, are being screened annually across Kansas.

Dental hygienists will be volunteering their time to come to Jackson Heights on February 13, 2020 to perform an oral screening and optional fluoride varnish on all students. Parents/guardians will receive a letter in advance of the screenings, which will allow them to opt-out their student if they so desire.

The dental screening is a quick simple peek in the mouth and only involves a light, gloves, facemask and tongue depressor or disposable mirror. The screening is to look for obvious signs of dental disease. Any student noted to have concerns or to be in need of a dental exam will have their parents notified in writing of the recommendation for further dental care.

Thousands of students are screened annually across Kansas. School nurses send the aggregated data to the Bureau of Oral Health where it is included in their annual reports. Even if your student gets regular dental exams, this allows us to collect data on district school oral hygiene.

- Oral health care is a critical component of good health.
- Tooth decay is the most common chronic childhood disease, five times more common than asthma. Untreated tooth decay can lead to pain and suffering; affecting a child's ability to eat, speak, and focus in school, resulting in absenteeism and affecting the ability to learn.
- School screenings provides parents with information about their children's oral health and the importance of regular dental treatment.
- School screening data allows the state to identify areas with high levels of dental disease. Preventive interventions can be implemented in these targeted areas to improve the oral health of Kansas school children.

If you have any questions about the upcoming dental screening, please contact School Nurse Terri Oswald at [terri.oswald@jhcobras.net](mailto:terri.oswald@jhcobras.net) or call 785-364-2244. More information about the KDHE oral health screenings can be found at [http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/screening\\_program.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/ohi/screening_program.htm).

-Terri Oswald,  
School Nurse



The middle school boys basketball season is off to a bit of a rough start with a current record of 1-5 so far. Head Coach Jeremy Melvin said, "We are very young and inexperienced team. We are learning day by day and by the end of the year, you will see a night and day difference with progress with this team. It is going to be a fun journey with these boys!" The middle school team will conclude its season in Oskaloosa at the NEKL tournament at the end of February.

*Pictured at the left Jace Robinson tries to block the in bound play while teammates Titus Eisenbarth, Kade Holliday, Korbin Karns, and Kryndon Proffitt get ready to assist with the defense.*



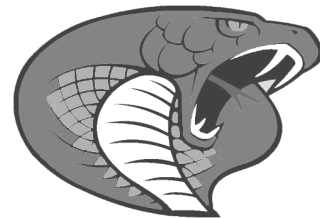


# Jackson Heights Preschool

Preschool Parent Meeting  
Wednesday, April 1 6:30pm

ENROLL NOW 785-364-2244  
for the 2020-21 School Year

2 Sessions Available  
Monday-Thursday  
8:00-11:20 AM  
12:05-3:25 PM



12692 266<sup>th</sup> Road  
Holton, Kansas 66436

## Notes From the HS Counselor



- ACT February 25 for Juniors
- Work Keys February 26 for Juniors
- Local scholarships have been uploaded to the website. They are under the documents tab.
- Registration and money for the February 6 ACT Prep class is due to Mrs. Alley by January 30
- The next ACT test date is April 4. Registration deadline is February 28.
- Washburn Tech National Signing Day is February 20. More details to come.

# 5 Tips for Turning a Snow Day into a Family Fun Day

No two words spoken at home can cause the paradox that “snow day” does. Kids are thrilled to learn they get to enjoy a free day off from school, while mom and dad are terrified to find out they have an unscheduled day where they must provide entertainment at home. Take the terror out of a snow day alert by being prepared with some entertaining ways to keep the kids from burning up with cabin fever:

1. **Let the Morning Pass By Slowly**— Embrace the impromptu day off with nothing planned, and stay toasty in your pajamas for a few extra hours. Let the kids turn the living room into a campsite using blankets and couch cushions. Drag out the sleeping bags and spend the better part of the snowy morning just snuggling, telling stories and snacking on foods that are normally a no-no in the morning.
2. **Frolic in the Snow**— Midday is the best time to get out into fresh snow, as this is likely going to be the warmest part of the day. Pile on the winter gear and let the kids burn off their energy outside. You have to shovel your driveway anyway, so why not let them build a snowman or make snow angels alongside you. Bigger kids can even help with the shoveling task, giving you some free time to throw a snowball or two before it’s time to head back inside.
3. **Bake Your Dinner and Dessert to Go With It**— When was the last time you had the time to bake a lasagna or roast a chicken? Snow days at home are perfect opportunities for preparing family meals that aren’t put together on the fly. Add some home-made cookies or a cake inside the oven, and your snow day with the kids just turned into a holiday. Get your kids involved in the preparation by letting them whip up some mashed potatoes, clean the greens for a salad, or even fill the pans for their snow day cake.
4. **Bring Back Family Game Night**— It’s easy to flip on Netflix to keep everyone entertained, but with some time to spare, you have time for a few hours of Monopoly. Game night is a past time that can be brought into the present, giving your family a rare moment to spend some real quality time together. If Monopoly is too much, try UNO, Scrabble or for young ones, a race around the Chutes and Ladders.
5. **Remind the Kids to Study**— The unscheduled day off from school won’t last forever, so keep the kids on course by having them study their school work for an hour or two before bedtime. You can make it fun by letting them have a hot cup of cocoa or popcorn while they go over the times tables on more time.

If the flakes are starting to fall again as you turn down your lights, don’t forget to check your messages to see if the school is sending out yet another snow day alert for tomorrow. When they are using a school notification service like DialMyCalls, you and your kids will never be left out in the cold.

-In Schools Blog,  
By Angela R.



*Students in the 10th grade World History class played Monopoly during the Industrial Revolution Unit to demonstrate the rise of monopolies and big business in the United States. Curtis Hundley, Grant Amon, and Devon Jones are pictured above participating in the board game.*

## Free Early Childhood Developmental Screenings

Free developmental screenings for children, birth through age five are provided at JHES. The screening of children who may have developmental delays includes evaluation of hearing, vision, speech, language, thinking skills, coordination, personal/social skills, and self-help skills. If you have concerns about your child’s development, please call Kay Smith at Jackson Heights Elementary 785-364-2244.



## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Roll Call:** The following board members were present for the board meeting held January 13, 2020:
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| Konrad Coe | Ed Rostetter | Neal Keeler     |
| Doug Amon  | David Allen  | Melinda Wareham |
- Adrienne Walsh, Brian Sanders, Robin Caudle, Travis Henry and Tony Rieschick were also in attendance for the meeting.
- Call to Order** Dr. Allen called the regular January meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Election of Officers** Dr. Allen asked for nominations for President. Mr. Rostetter moved to nominate Dr. Allen for President and Mr. Coe as Vice-President. Mrs. Wareham seconded the motion and asked that the nominations cease. Motion carried 4-0-2 with Dr. Allen and Mr. Coe abstaining from the vote.
- Public Forum** Tony Rieschick representing the Alumni Committee asked to be able to host the Jackson Heights alumni in full at Jackson Heights. The alumni will be held on June 6 and they are planning to invite all alums from all four towns to be included in the Jackson Heights Alumni.
- Agenda** Mr. Rostetter moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Wareham seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- Consent Agenda** Mr. Coe moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the December 9, 2019 regular board meeting along with the monthly bills and activity reports. Mr. Rostetter seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- Tech in the Classroom** The board moved to Mr. Henry's classroom for his presentation. Mr. Henry demonstrated how he is using the Smartboard TV in his classroom. He is able to access Google Docs and use it as an interactive smart notebook. Mr. Henry demonstrated how easily he can grab information off of the internet and with the large screen the whole class is able to watch. He also showed how he can divide the screen and use it as a teaching tool. The technology of the Smart TV is at his fingertips to provide the information to help make the class more informational and fun.
- Karlin & Long** Mrs. Walsh presented a proposal from Karlin & Long to not exceed \$6,000 to audit the financial ledgers for the 2019-2020 school year ending June 30, 2020. Mrs. Wareham moved to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Amon seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- Football Field** Discussion on determining any action for the leveling of the football field was held. A quote from Midwest Laser Leveling presented two options for renovation. Option 1 included complete renovation of the football field by removing the grass layer and disking the topsoil to break up the compaction, add amendments if the soil needed and laser grade to provide a smooth consistent slope. It will then be reseeded, fertilizer applied and re-installation of the irrigation heads. Option 1 would cost \$18,700. Option 2 would include 500 ton of topsoil to be brought in and then the laser work and seeding for \$45,700. Mrs. Walsh also met with Brian Foster the original builder of the track/football field. He recommended to first try a roller when the soil was soft to fill in the dips in the field and then bring in some topsoil to bring it up to grade. Mr. Rostetter moved to approve the quote from Midwest Laser Leveling for option 1. Mr. Amon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-1 with Mr. Coe opposing.
- Administration Reports** Mrs. Walsh discussed some items that will be reflected on the 2020-2021 school calendar. Options for the start of school, Christmas break, Spring break were a few of the items mentioned. She also noted it was board appreciation month and thanked the board members for their years of service. She presented data on the Transit and activities it has been used for, updated information on the upcoming renewal for the property and liability insurance, January professional development, state assessments and Stop the Bleed training.
- Executive Session** Mr. Amon moved to enter into executive session for 15 minutes at 8:30 p.m. on personnel with Mrs. Walsh. Mr. Coe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- Returning to open session at 8:45 p.m. Mr. Coe moved to accept resignations from Kristi Altenburg as MS girls' assistant basketball coach and Travis Henry as the MS girls' head basketball coach for the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. Keeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.
- Adjourn** Mr. Coe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Mr. Keeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Dibbern, Clerk of the Board

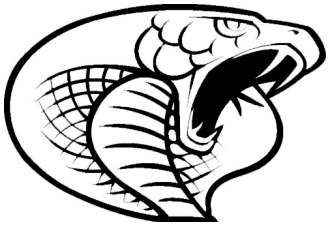
# February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Cobra Historical Fact: The current bus garage at Jackson Heights once held a slide away roof to launch an Atlas missile. The shop class was also located in the bus garage from 1969-1981 until a new addition was built to house the shop and ag classes.				
2	3 FFA Meats Judging at Easton, 9:00am MS Boys BB vs. P Ridge, Home, 4:30pm	4 HS BB vs. JCN, Home, 5:00pm	5	6 HS Regional Scholars Bowl, TBA MS Boys BB vs. Effingham, Home, 4:30pm	7 Queen of Courts HS BB vs. Horton, Home, 5:00pm	8 ACT Forensics at Riverside, 8:00am
9	10 HS BB at Valley Falls, 5:00pm MS Boys BB at St. Benedict, 4:30pm	11 HS BB vs. ACCHS, Home, 5:00pm MS Vocal Festival at Pleasant Ridge	12 FCCLA District STAR Events at Rossville	13 HS BB vs. McLouth, Home, 5:00pm	14 MS Boys BB vs. Xavier, Home, 4:30pm	15 HS State Scholars Bowl, TBA Forensics at Royal Valley, 8:00am
16	17 National FFA Week Board Meeting, 7:00pm HS BB at McLouth, 5:00pm (Make-Up Game)	18 HS BB at Maur Hill, 4:30pm	19 NEKL Forensics at Horton, TBA NEKL Forensics at Horton, 8:00am	20 MS Boys BB at Oskaloosa, 4:30pm	21 HS BB at Pleasant Ridge, 5:00pm FFA Horse Judging at McLouth, 9:00am	22 Forensics at Atchison, 8:00am
23	24 NO SCHOOL Staff Dev./Work Day PT Conf. 4:00-8:00pm MS Boys BB NEKL Quarterfinals, TBA	25 Senior Night HS BB vs. Oskaloosa, Home, 5:00pm ACT Testing (Paper)	26 WorkKeys Testing (Paper) FFA Selection Day at Onaga, 8:30am	27 PT Conf. 4:00-8:00pm MS Boys BB NEKL Semifinals at Oskaloosa, TBA All State Music Festival	28 All State Music Festival PK Class in Session PK-3 Circus Trip	29 MS Boys BB NEKL Finals at Oskaloosa, TBA All State Music Festival Forensics at Effingham, 8:00am



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Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
3	B: Blueberry Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Milk  L: Taco Soup, Fritos Chips, Lettuce Salad, Tomato Salsa, Fruit, Milk	4	B: Cheese Omelet, Oatmeal Square, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Corn Dog, Tater Tots, Baby Carrots, Fruit, Chocolate Chip, Cookie, Milk	5	B: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Whole Wheat Roll (9-12), Fruit, Milk	6	B: French Toast Sticks, Sausage Link, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Chicken Quesadilla, Refried Beans, Salsa, Broccoli, Carrots, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Milk	7	B: Biscuit & Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Goulash w/Whole Wheat Pasta, Green Beans, Lettuce Salad, Garlic Bread (9-12), Fruit, Milk
10	B: Pumpkin Muffin, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Chicken Crispito, Tortilla Chips, Baby Carrots, Refried Beans, Fruit, Milk	11	B: Pancakes, Sausage Patty, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Baked Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Peas, Whole Wheat Roll 9-12, Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Milk	12	B: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Mini Meatball Sub, Tossed Salad, Sliced Tomato, Ranch Fries, Fruit, Milk	13	B: Pancake on a Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Taco Burger on Bun, Hash brown Rounds, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Milk	14	B: Biscuit & Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Country Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Biscuit (7-12), Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Milk
17	B: French Toast Sticks, Sausage Link, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Pulled Pork Sandwich, Ranch Fries, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Milk	18	B: Cheese Omelet, Oatmeal Square, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Chicken Wrap, Sun Chips, Toss Salad, Broccoli Florets, Fruit, Milk	19	B: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Super Nachos, Southwestern Beans, Lettuce Salad, Tortilla Chips, Fruit, Milk	20	B: Star Spangled Pancakes, Yogurt, Strawberries, Blueberries, Sausage Patty, Juice, Milk  L: Pork Rib Sandwich, Sweet Potato Fries, Lettuce Salad, Sliced Tomato, Fruit, Milk	21	B: Biscuit & Sausage Gravy, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: BBQ Chicken Drumstick, Baked Beans, Lettuce Salad, Biscuit, Fruit, Milk
24	No School	25	B: Waffles, Ham Patty, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Pepperoni Pizza, Lettuce Salad, Carrots & Cucumber Slices, Fruit, Milk	26	B: Cheese Omelet, Oatmeal Square, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Macaroni & Cheese, Baby Carrots, Lettuce & Spinach Salad, Fruit, Milk	27	B: Pancake on a Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Hamburger on a Bun, French Fries, Lettuce Salad, Sliced Tomato, Fruit, Milk	28	B: Egg & Cheese on a Biscuit, Fruit, Juice, Milk  L: Fish Taco, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Spinach Salad, Fruit, Milk



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### **Reminder! FFA Hay Auction February 7**

87 big bales will be sold between the girls and boys home basketball games in the high school library. For more information contact Paul Lierz at [paul.lierz@jhcobras.net](mailto:paul.lierz@jhcobras.net) or 785-364-2195.



USD 335 has an immediate opening for a substitute and activities custodian and bus driver. Applications may be downloaded from the website at [www.jhcobras.net](http://www.jhcobras.net) or picked up at district office. For more information, please contact 785-364-2194.