

USD 456 District Newsletter



March 2017



MdCV Website

Check out the school website for updated information on activities going on in the district. The school web address is www.mdcv.org. We post daily activities on the homepage regarding school activities and times, school closings, lunch menu, district calendar, newsletters and the weekly bulletin. Set it as your homepage and check it out!

School Dismissals

No school on March 10th for Teacher In-Service and Spring Break - March 20-24.

ACT Testing Dates

Time is quickly dwindling for students to take the ACT this year. The dates and registration deadlines are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Late Fee Required</u>
April 8, 2017	Mar 3, 2017	Mar 17, 2017
June 10, 2017	May 5, 2017	May 19, 2017

For more information and test ready checklist, visit actstudent.org.

High School Sub-State and State Basketball

Sub-State games will be played at Waverly starting February 27-March 4.

Girls and boys will both play Tuesday, February 28, 2017. See the school website for updated information.

State basketball games will be at Hays, Kansas from March 8-11th.

FFA Activities

March 1 - FFA Events- Entomology and Floriculture

March 4 - East Central District Selection Day at Ottawa HS

March 31- FFA Fort Scott Aggie Days

Drivers Education

Mr. Steve Taylor will be our Drivers Education instructor this Spring. Drivers Ed will begin after spring break. Classes will be on Wednesday evenings until the end of the school year. Any student interested in Drivers Ed should contact Mr. Taylor for more information. A parent informational meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Kansas State Assessments

Grades 3-8 and 10th-11th will begin State Assessments following Spring Break.

Counselor's Corner

Many local scholarships are due in the month of March for seniors. All seniors should check the counselor's bulletin board and their Google Classroom accounts for information on scholarships.

Booster Club News

The MdCV Booster Club will have a meeting on Sunday, March 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Melvern Commons Area. They will be discussing After-Prom activities. They need volunteers to help with After-Prom so if you are interested see Beth Weimer, Judy Lacey or Marcia Flatin.

Blood Drive

The spring STUCO blood drive will be on March 17th this year in the small gym from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please contact Laurel Ladewig at the high school if you want to donate blood or for further information.

2016-2017 Yearbooks

Pre-order your 2016-2017 MdCV Yearbook by Friday, May 5, 2017 for \$15. The yearbook includes 80 colored pages with high school, junior high and elementary photos. If interested, please send money to the school offices.

Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast

The Melvern Fair Board will have a Pancake Breakfast on the March 11th from 7:00-10:00. Includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, 3 sausage links, scrambled eggs with a choice of orange juice, coffee, milk or water. This is a Free Will Donation and any money collected will go towards the Melvern Sunflower Days!

Melvorn 4-H Fair Days

The Melvern Sunflower 4-H fair days have been scheduled for Thursday, June 22nd through Saturday, June 24th. The fair board has a new carnival for the fair this year and will be offering wristbands for three different sessions during the fair. More information will be available at a later date. There will be several fundraising events to help bring the fair to town, but the fair board would appreciate any donations to help make this possible for our community and families. If anyone would be interested in helping to organize any events for the fair it, would also be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at either Lyndon State Bank (Melvern Branch) or with Linda Irey. Other fair board members are Shannon Anschutz and Dan Bowers, Troy and Angie Treinen, Jim and Linda Irey, and Darrel Schultze.

Osage County Spelling Bee

8th grader, Colby Vogeler and 5th grader, Jorjia Kitselman represented MdCV Schools at the Osage County Spelling Bee held at Santa Fe Trails High School. They were among the nine participants from the schools in Osage County. Five spellers were in the round when Jorjia misspelled her word. Colby captured third place.

Great job Colby and Jorjia!

High School Field Trip

Mr. Baxter took his Earth/Space class on a field trip to the salt mine in Hutchinson (Stratoca) to "take a trip 275 million years in the past." 650 feet below the surface is an ancient salt layer that formed from an inland sea that used to be located in the central U.S. The students had a chance to collect chunks of ancient Permian Sea salt, and learn a small bit of geology as they toured deep into the part of the mine that was mined back in the 1950's.

FBLA News

A group of FBLA members traveled to Emporia State on Wednesday, February 1st to participate in the FBLA District VII Conference.

Congratulations to those who placed in their events!

Kayden Dickey - 7st in Networking Concepts,
2nd in Computer Problem Solving and
4th in Cyber Security.

Koby Vanderpool – 9th in Agribusiness
Kali Holt, Brennan Irey, and Josey Weimer-
10th in Sports and Entertainment Presentation

Several FBLA members will be attending the State FBLA Conference in Topeka on March 30th.

Dinner Theatre

The Melvern Pride is having a Dinner Theatre and the entire community is invited. The theme is **Death of a Hot Sauce Salesman**, on Friday, March 24th and Saturday, March 25th at the Melvern Community Center. Each ticket is \$20 for the dinner and show. Tickets can be purchased at the Melvern Library from Ken and Jane Yocum.

Message from the Superintendent

Kindergarten readiness is an important building block for a student's future achievement and success. MdCV and Three Lakes Cooperative offer an Early Childhood Developmental Screening twice a year for children ages birth to five years old. The screening measures the areas of vision, hearing, motor skills, cognitive, speech and language development, social and self-help skills. The results are then shared with the parents/guardians and school team to inform them that their child is developing at a rate that is appropriate for their age and where supports need to be provided if they aren't developing at the same rates. Along with the information from the screening and the program Parents as Teachers, MdCV offers support for helping parents to prepare their child for be prepared for Kindergarten. If you would like more information about these programs, contact the MdCV Elementary office.

