



# Wildcat Express

## Students in Action

### The Road to Graduation

This section will be designated to the Senior Class of 2020 and their accomplishments, both group and individual, as well as information as to their Graduation in May.

#### Senior Officers

- Becca Allred  
President
- Bryce Wolf  
VP
- Caroline Warren  
Secretary
- Rachel Holt  
Treasurer



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## Student Shoutout!!

Wrenlee Warner and Emily Carter (pictured to the right) have both been awarded a Student Shoutout in the first month of school. A Student Shoutout is recognition of a student's positive behavior in the classroom by a staff member. To earn this award so early in the year is a credit to both student's positive attitudes towards learning.

Always smiling and eager to learn. Thank you Wrenlee and Emily for your wonderful attitudes to start off this new school year.



## From the Superintendent's Desk

Our District has set some lofty goals for the 2019-2020 school year and the years following. We have made a commitment to providing are students with the latest technology so they may grow academically and be prepared for the future. The plan for 2019-2020 school year is for the district to go 1-1

with Chromebooks and Ipads so that every student has access to a device. While going through this process the District has hired Quality Network Solutions to update the school's internet infrastructure, server, bandwidth, and firewall to better handle the new devices. While continuing to do minor

repairs around the outside of the building the District is also preparing a five-year plan to remodel the outside of the building and make other updates. Finally, all patrons of the District will be receiving a survey in the mail regarding a switch to a four-day school week, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to fill out the survey and return it.

## From the Principal's Desk

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It is hard to believe it is almost Fall. I think we have had a great start to school this year. Our second annual Gravy with the Grands was a BIG success! I want to thank everyone that was involved. We had over 100 grandparents attend this event this year. I don't want to leave out

our volunteers for the day, Karen Wilson, Marsha Anderson and Linda Roberts. Along with the staff here at Southwest. These ladies not only helped out with the meal but also read to the students that needed an extra grandparent for the day. We are currently working on a Veterans

Day event that will be held on November 15th at 9am. Please watch the Wildcat Express and the bulletin for more upcoming events at the school for parents and family members to attend. Check out our Facebook page for pictures from today's event.



## Jr. High Football

Jr High football plays their first game Monday, September 23rd. According to Coach Baker, the roster is pretty stacked with freshman and a lot of development with the seventh and eighth grader, it's easily a roster to get very excited about. Expectations for the year is to get the guys

ready for high school ball, and to teach fundamentals and to hit hard. It's unfortunate that they only get to play three games, but it should be a very fun season for them nonetheless.

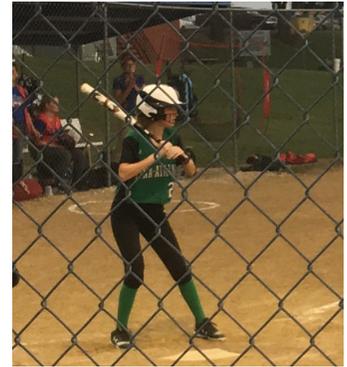
## Softball

Softball is a variant of baseball and a popular participant sport, particularly in the United States. It is generally agreed that softball developed from a game called indoor baseball, first played in Chicago in 1887. There were wide variances in playing rules, size and type of playing equipment, and dimensions of the playing



field. Softball is about girls coming together as a team and playing against other great teams. Softball at Southwest started out with us winning a lot of games, then as the years went by

and we lost a lot of our players we started to only win 1 or 2 games each season, we got a lot of hits in and caught a lot of balls in most of our games, and then we finally lost enough girls that we no longer had a southwest softball team and we co-opted with Tina-Avalon softball team. So we go over to TA for practice and



Ally-Jo Ralls up to hit against Bucklin-Macon

## Senior High Football

Wildcat high school football is off to a solid start this season. They are 2-1 heading into week four beating DeKalb and South Holt Nodaway Holt and losing to East



Atchison. Receivers are doing a great job creating space and getting open, and the run game is looking very good also. The defense had a shaky start to the season, but stepped up for both the victories afterward. Mack Anderson is leading the state in rushing touchdowns and is



fourth in passing yards and rushing yards. Chase Neptune is fourth in state with receiving yards.



## Women's Golf

Golf season has started off for the Lady Wildcats with a bang. The Lady Wildcats have played in two separate competitions this past week (September 16th). Overall the Lady Wildcats are putting in the work, through hot weathered practices, and making sure that every scoring infringement is corrected. The Lady Wildcat's

golf team includes; Makenna Campbell, Rachel Holt, Caroline Warren, and Lily Webb. In the Gallatin Tournament they placed 3rd out of 9 teams.

"I think this season will be great, our team has great Chemistry and all of us have improved tremendously from where we began."- Mckenna Campbell



Lady Wildcat Golfers- Rachel Holt, Makenna Campbell, Lily Webb & Caroline Warren

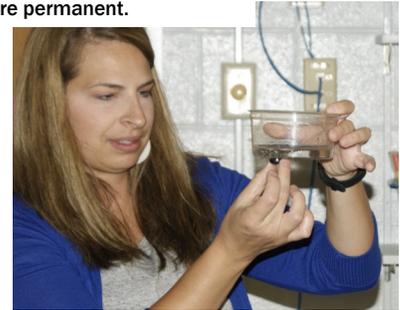
## 6th Grade Mixtures

Science has always been thought of as a mixed bag of nuts. To the sixth grade it is. They spent some time learning about different types of mixtures and what they have to do with science. In the process, they learned that some mixtures can be separated using magnets, while others are separated using a strainer. The mixtures included paper clips, lima beans, and sand. Liquids were also used in the experiments such

as; water, soap, and blue food coloring. Sixth graders then analyzed how soap and water mixed. Tea bags also came into play. They were placed in cold and warm water to determine which filtered the best. It was determined that the tea filtered best in warm water.



6th Graders examine how different mixtures can be separated and how others are permanent.



## 5th Grade Follies

What a whirlwind this year has already been! We are finally in the full swing of things and the class is quickly

finding out they have to stay on top of things. With the introduction of planners this year, they are getting a little help with that. Our class this year consists of 7 girls and 9 boys who are a very energetic bunch. Even though most of the class has been together since preschool, we started the year getting to know new things about one another and created a banner outside our

classroom. We have also been working on reclaiming some of those skill lost over the summer; include multiplication, division, spelling, and general reading skills. In math, we have been learning about area and volume. Especially using manipulatives while calculating area and volume.

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## 4th Grade Symposium

The day that will never be forgotten; September 11, 2001. Mrs. Shiflet, the sixth grade teacher, spent her third hour teaching the fourth graders about 9/11. She began by talking about the times that the towers

were hit and when they collapsed. Each time was followed by a moment of silence. She also talked about Flight 77 that crashed into the pentagon and Flight 93 which crashed into a field in

Somerset County, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Shiflet finished the presentation off with talking about the effects that the attacks had on present time airports.



Mrs. Shiflett talks to the 4th grade about the attacks of 9/11

Help support FCCLA!!



FCCLA will have a traveling "cookie-mobile" 8<sup>th</sup> hour during the week of October 14-18.

\*\*Elementary students will be able to purchase cookies at the end of their lunch shifts &/OR 8<sup>th</sup> hour of the day\*\*

Cost of cookies will be \$1.00 per package.

## Future Career and Community Leaders of America

The FCCLA (Future Career and Community Leaders of America) organization is sponsored by Mrs. Neptune. This year she plans to do a lot of community service to give back to the community. They will elect their officers in October. They also have a regional meeting coming up in October. Some of the community service projects the

FCCLA is planning on doing are; Operation Christmas, and Ronald McDonald House Charities. Operation Christmas is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. The Ronald McDonald House

Charity is an American independent nonprofit organization whose mission is to create, find, and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. They provide a place for families to call home so they can stay close by their hospitalized child at little to no cost.

## Future Business Leaders of America

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Our officers this year are; Matney Waters- President Rachel Holt- Vice President Ally Ralls- Secretary/Treasurer This year our FBLA chapter has a couple goals that we would really like to accomplish. The first goal is to increase our community service hours. The Officer Team has come up with a couple ideas to help us attain this goal. The second goal is to

hold some positive fundraisers, the first of which is called "Mums for Moms" starting Friday, September 27th. A committee of FBLA members will be selling mums and pumpkins for a great price during home football games. As an attempt to fundraise in a way that also benefits the community. The FBLA Chap-

ter's third and final goal is to increase our chapter involvement/recruitment. There have been some fun chapter meeting ideas and we hope to increase our numbers, while appreciating the quality members that are already apart of the FBLA organization.

## Student Council

This 2019-2020 school year your Senior High Student Council Officers are:

- President Caroline Warren
- Vice President: Bryce Wolf
- Secretary: Matney Waters
- Treasurer: Becca Allred
- Points Recorder: Patrick Warren



Tylar Burns  
Ameelya Housworth  
Logan Liebendorfer  
Myiah Oshel



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**Spirit Days! October 14th - 17th - Homecoming -**  
**Due to no school on Friday we will have a pep rally at the end of the day**  
**Monday to kick off the Homecoming week!**

**Monday 14th - Play on Words Day - Choose your favorite phrase and "dress it up."**  
Example: Oh Deer, Holy Cow, Cool Beans

**Tuesday 15th - Scrabble Day - Use your imagination to create fun words and phrases**  
with friends on your clothing. Examples: Four students wearing letters on their shirts to  
spell out Cool.

**Wednesday 16th - Alphabet Day - Dress like something that begins with the first**  
letter of your name. Example: Abby dresses up like asparagus.

**Thursday 17th - Blue & White Day - ½ day of school**

**Buy an Old Yearbook**  
**\$20**

## Class Rings

A class ring isn't just a stone without meaning worn on your finger. A class ring is worn to honor someone's graduation from high school or college. It can be personalized to represent you. The tradition of wearing a class ring originated in 1835 with the students at the United States Military Academy at West Point who were one of the firsts to wear a class ring. The class ring also has some tradition with it. The ring is worn on the right ring finger facing inward while still enrolled in school and switched to facing outward after graduation.



Class of 2020 Senior Logan Liebendorfer's  
Class ring is still a fixture on his hand.

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