



# Calhoun R-VIII Newsletter



## Important Dates:

**May 1 – Spring Concert @ 5:30 pm (students)/6:00 pm**

**May 2 – Fort Osage Field Trip (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

**May 2 – Springfield Zoo Field Trip (SPED)**

**May 3 – School Day at the K**

**May 4 – Spelling Bee in Strasburg, leave @ 4:30 pm**

**May 6 – Honor Breakfast @ 8:00 am**

**May 6 – Baccalaureate @ 4:00 pm**

**May 7 – 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion @ 7:00 pm**

**May 8 – Elementary Field Day**

**May 8-9 – Senior Trip to Branson**

**May 10/14 - Finals**

**May 11 – Awards Assembly @ 8:00 am**

**May 11 – Student Early Release @ 12:30 pm**

**May 11 – Graduation @ 7:00 pm**

**May 14 – Preschool Graduation @ 7:00 pm**

**May 15 – High School/Jr High Field Day**

**May 16 – Last Day of School/Early Release @12:30 pm**

**May 16 – Top Club Trip to Worlds of Fun**

**May 16 – High School Trip to Escape Room**

**May 17 – CTS Last Day/Early Release**

**May 17-Jun 1 – Preschool Summer Break**

## Trenton Sell



Trenton Sell is a senior who prefers a life full of hanging out with his friends. He also loves going hunting and fishing—and catching up on his sleep. His most influential role models are his parents, grandparents, and Mr. Stackhouse.

Trenton plans on going to college for either welding or machinery, but he is not quite sure what the future holds for him. When asked where he sees himself in 10 years, Trenton replied, “Honestly, I don’t know because I don’t know where I see myself the next day because life is one...[crazy] journey.... I hope to be working a good job, have a family, and just be living the dream...”

While Trenton’s biggest challenge has been getting through school, staying sane, and staying out of trouble, the past 4 years have had a silver lining: his friends. He will always remember 7<sup>th</sup> hour PE his junior year with them and all the good times that they’ve had here at Calhoun R-VIII.



Although Trenton comes across as a man of few words, he will always open up when you want some advice, especially for the underclassmen: “Life’s rough, and you just gotta grab the bull by the horns and hold on for the ride. Don’t wish your life away because it’ll be over before you know it. The most important thing is to enjoy your life, to be happy; it’s all that matters. Life is a mind game, and you gotta figure out how to beat it. You guys can do it; don’t give up. It’s easier than you think it is.”

## Hannah Watson



Hannah Watson is a charismatic senior at Calhoun R-VIII who loves to socialize with her friends. When she isn't with her entourage, she is working or catching up on her sleep. Her most influential role model is her dad. She stated, "He's the one who pushed me to succeed and worry less about the stress and manage my happiness by focusing on myself." Hannah plans on studying to become a physician, and she will succeed. In 10 years, she sees herself traveling the world with the love of her life—no kids and no worries, just living her best life.

Hannah's biggest challenge was growing up in a broken family, but she feels like she still came out on top, and she will always remember the students at school who helped shape her. Her advice to the underclassmen is to stay in school, go to class, stay out of the drama, and choose your friends wisely.

## Sports Highlights



On April 5, our track stars were at it again in Holden. Anthony won the high jump, and Mekhi finished 3rd. Mekhi and Anthony finished 5th and 6th in the triple jump, and Mekhi finished 6th in the high hurdles. Tylar White finished 4th in the 400 with a new-season personal record of 1:07.80.



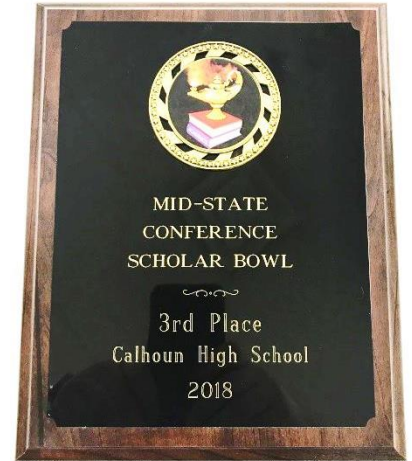
## Math Awareness Week Banquet

On April 3, two Calhoun students were honored for their efforts in mathematics. UCM held a banquet for math teachers and their promising students. Mrs. O'Dell picked Taylor Trull and Tylar White for the honors. Tylar White was unable to attend, so Mrs. O'Dell accepted the certificate on Tylar's behalf.



## **Scholar Bowl**

On Saturday, April 7, Calhoun hosted the Mid-State Conference Scholar Bowl Tournament. Calhoun's Scholar Bowl team placed 3rd at the tournament, but the team played their most competitive games of this season that day! In the four games they played on Saturday, two of them went into overtime. The first overtime game against Kingsville was in the round robin portion of the tournament, and Kingsville won the game by one single question. In the playoff bracket, we faced Kingsville again. The results were almost the same as the round-robin game, with Kingsville winning by one single question. That outcome advanced them, not Calhoun, to the championship game.



Two members of the team earned All-Conference honors: Elana Hollinger, Calhoun's captain, was first team All-Conference; overall she was the third place top individual scorer last Saturday. Brennan Hartgrave was second team All-Conference, and he was the sixth place top individual scorer. Taylor Trull, Andy Redding, and Nick Rusche also competed for Calhoun the week before. A team photo along with the conference plaque are attached to this email. I clearly saw that Calhoun tried their absolute best last Saturday, and as their coach, I am really, really proud of their efforts!

## **5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Go to Arrowhead**

On April 9, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade went to Arrowhead Stadium. They went through the Sports Lab, which taught them about the importance of eating healthy and getting exercise. They also took the tour of the stadium, which allowed them to go into the locker room, 50 yard line tunnel, and the field. They all had a great time.





## **Band Carnival**

Our Band Carnival on April 13 was a success! Thank you to everyone who came, helped, or donated. We were fortunate the weather held out for us and we had a decent



crowd. The kids, band, and helpers all had a good time! We had several donations from area businesses and excellent raffle baskets from the Elementary classes. 5th and 6th Grade won the raffle basket competition and will have an ice cream party. With the games, concessions, silent auction and raffles the band raised just shy of \$400! Our band students are already making plans for how to make next year's even better. Thank you again! Hope to see you there next year.



## **Night Under the Stars—Prom 2018**

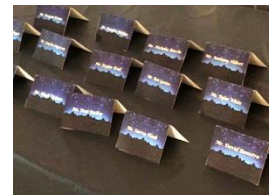
April 21 brought us a night of fancy ladies, dapper gentlemen, and plenty of dancing. The



Juniors, under the supervision of Mrs. O'Dell, did an excellent job of designing a simple, but elegant prom for the Seniors. The guests were ushered into the Colt Show building through a walkway lit with hanging blue and white lights. As they entered the room, they had their picture taken, found their name cards, and were able to choose who they sat by at the designated student tables, which became the perimeter for the dance floor. The faculty tables sat behind them, which gave us a great view of all the fun the students had.



The tables were decorated with black table clothes, white lace runners, candles, transparent pebbles, glow sticks, bubbles, candies, and place settings. The food—ham, pulled pork/chicken, green beans, corn, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls with butter, and cupcakes with glittered blue and black icing—had been catered by R&R Custom Cooking, Dietz Family Buffet, and The White Family; it was



reminiscent of my Grandma's cooking, and everyone went back for seconds. Brennan Hartgrave was asked to be a server for the night, and he did an excellent job. All the guests—students and faculty—had an



opportunity to have professional photos taken, as well, against a classy burlap-framed and lighted-tulle background, with little potted sunflowers and an ironwork chair.



Mr. Duensing was the DJ for the night, and he provided a stellar playlist. The students danced the night away, and Nick



Rusche and David Boonstra stole the show every time they went out on the dance floor. However, A few other groups attempted to steal the show back: Mrs. O'Dell and former Calhoun English teacher Pam Holbrook taught some of the girls how to do the Electric Slide; Mr. Ioanis and his fiancé Lindley practiced that upcoming wedding dance; then, Kendra Phillips, Elana Hollinger, Taylor Trull, and Tylar White couldn't "Let It Go" when their favorite *Frozen* song came on and



serenaded Mr. Ioanis. Students also were entered for door prize

drawings that happened every 30 minutes or so. The students loved getting to see their prizes, and it was entertaining to watch them barter with each other afterward. Everyone went home with something they could definitely use.



About halfway through the festivities, we crowned our royalty. Brayden Isabell was crowned Prince and held his scepter high in triumph. Tylar White was crowned Princess and gently cradled her roses. Andy Redding was crowned King and stood stately amongst his peers. Taylor Trull was crowned Queen and looked regal in her tiara. The new court



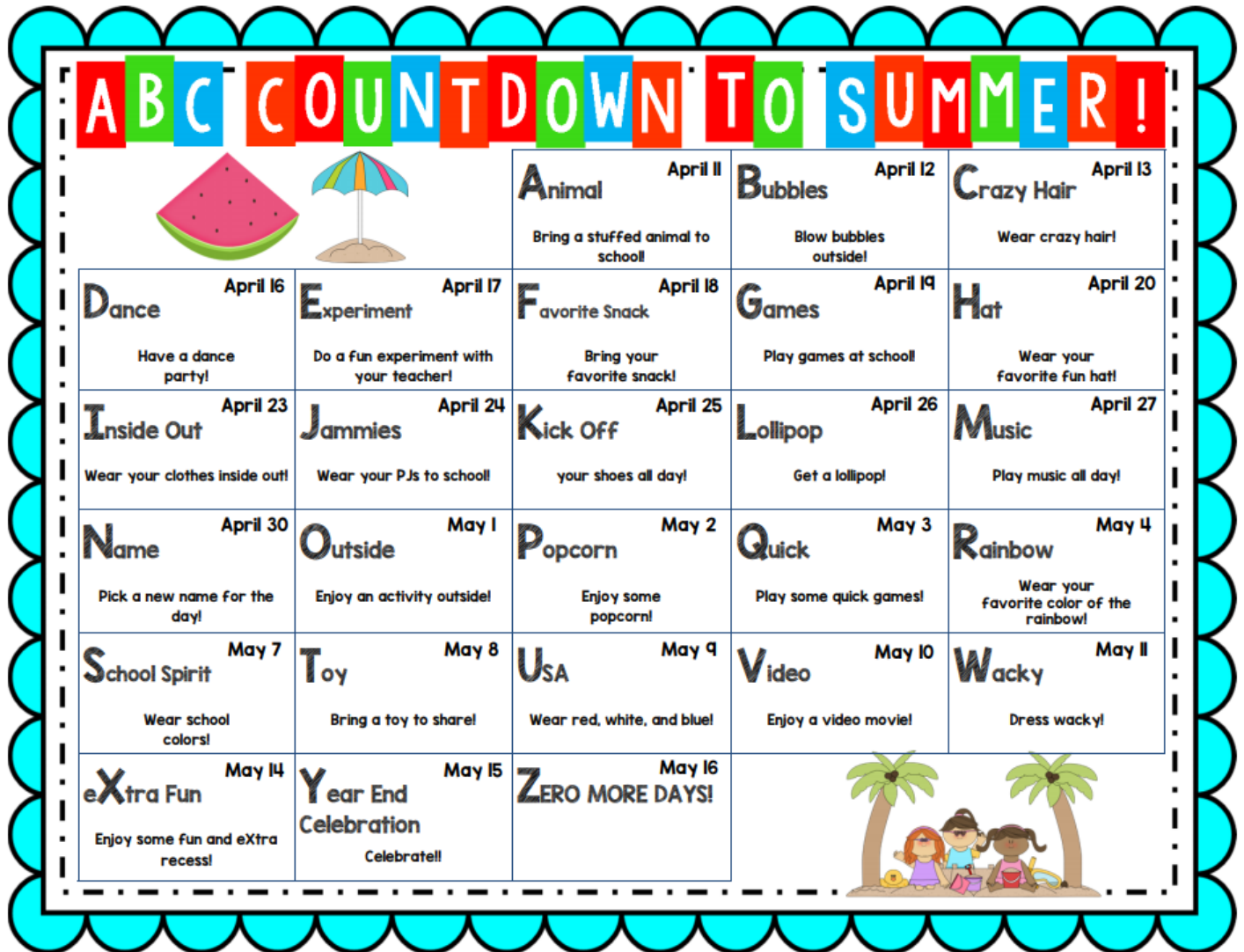
then had their first dance: The Prince with the Princess and the King with the Queen, then the Princess with the Queen and the Prince with the King, and finally the court grabbed



their dates and made everyone come out and dance. The students all had a blast, and they kept us in stitches most of the night with their awesome dance moves.

## Teacher Updates

The end of the year is quickly approaching! To celebrate an awesome year, the elementary will have fun with an ABC countdown! For the last 26 days of school, starting on April 11th, we will countdown to the last day with exciting activities. Feel free to celebrate with us!



Good Afternoon,

The band is raising funds to purchase a new Baritone Saxophone. Ours is not it good repair and they no longer make the parts needing replaced. We had a carnival April 13 and were able to raise around \$400! Thank you to all that came and participated. We have a good start but we still have a ways to go. If you feel led to help us out, we would greatly appreciate your support!

Michal Hopkins



# Calhoun Early Childhood News



Preschool Graduation is scheduled for  
May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm



Last day of school is May 16<sup>th</sup>  
and it's an early release day.  
Students will dismiss at 12:30pm.

We will have a break from May 17-June 1<sup>st</sup>, and  
then the summer program will begin June 4<sup>th</sup> and





FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2018

	INCIDENTAL FUND 1	TEACHER FUND 2	DEBT SERVICE FUND 3	CAPITAL IMP FUND 4	TOTAL
Beginning Balance March 1, 2018	\$267,991.81	(\$40,198.91)	\$0.00	\$4,175.00	\$231,967.90
Receipts through March 31, 2018	\$139,204.39	\$136,732.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275,936.49
TOTALS	\$407,196.20	\$96,533.19	\$0.00	\$4,175.00	\$507,904.39
Disbursements through March 31, 2018	\$153,062.88	\$119,095.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$272,158.55
Balance March 31, 2018	\$254,133.32	(\$22,562.48)	\$0.00	\$4,175.00	\$235,745.84
Beginning Balance July 1, 2017	\$59,879.47				
YTD Receipts through March 31, 2018	\$2,432,421.95				
TOTALS	\$2,492,301.42				
YTD Disbursements through March 31, 2018	\$2,256,555.58				
TOTALS	\$235,745.84				
LESS INVESTMENTS	\$0.00				
OPERATING BALANCE March 31, 2018	\$235,745.84				

\$17,236.78 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT  
\$200.00 PETTY CASH

Calhoun R-VIII Breakfast Menu for May 2018

CALHOUN R-8  
409 South College  
Calhoun, MO 65323

# MAY 2018



BREAKFAST Menu is subject to

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Sat.

		1 <i>Cereal Fruit Juice Milk</i>	2 <i>Bfast pizza Fruit Juice Milk</i>	3 BISCUIT & GRAVY FRUIT JUICE MILK	4 SAUSAGE PANCAKE ON STICK FRUIT JUICE MILK	5
6	7 CEREAL FRUIT JUICE MILK	8 BREAKFAST PIZZA FRUIT JUICE MILK	9 BISCUIT & GRVY FRUIT JUICE MILK	10 CEREAL FRUIT JUICE MILK	11 SAUSAGE PANCAKE ON STICK FRUIT JUICE MILK	12
13	14 COOKS CHOICE GRAIN FRUIT JUICE MILK	15 COOKS CHOICE GRAIN FRUIT JUICE MILK	16 COOKS CHOICE GRAIN FRUIT JUICE MILK	17	18	19
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# Calhoun R-VIII Lunch Menu for May 2018

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LUNCH Menu is subject to change.



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Sat.

		1 CHICKEN PATTY TATERS/GRAVY FRUIT/VEG BAR MILK	2 BEEF SOFT TACO REFRIED BEANS FRUIT/VEG BAR MILK	3 EGG ROLL RICE STEAMED BROCCOLI FRUIT/VEG BAR MILK	4 SPAGHETTI GREEN BEANS FRUIT/VEG BAR MILK	5
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