

Calhoun R-VIII Newsletter

March-April 2019



Important Dates:

Apr 1 – Jostens Announcement Delivery

Apr 2 – Pee Wee Girls/Boys Basketball Pictures

Apr 5-6 - Senior Trip

Apr 11 – 4" Quarter Mid-Term Spring Concert Art/Science Fairs

Apr 17 – ECC Easter Egg Hunt

Apr 18 – Early Out Easter Break

Apr 19 – No School Easter Break

Apr 22 – Make-Up Day School In Session

Apr 23 –HC Health Immunizations

Apr 25 – Family Night @ 5:30 pm

Apr 26 – 4th/5th Grades Field Trip

Apr 27 - Prom

Apr 28 – Athletic Banquet 2:00 pm

Apr 30-May 9 – MAP/EOC Testing Kala Woods is a senior who loves hanging out with her friends. She hasn't been at Calhoun R-VIII long, but she will most remember the staff members who helped her though some difficult

times. Her biggest challenge has been working toward finishing school, but her family and friends have been there to help her, and they are truly her most influential role models.

Kala's future plan is to go to college and get her CNA. She isn't sure where she sees herself in 10 years, but she looks forward to what the future may hold. Her advice to the underclassmen: "Don't let anyone tell you that you are not capable of doing something you love because you can do whatever you put your mind to."





Sports Highlights

Spread Your Wings and Fly to Avila

Tylar White made the news on March 21 when she signed for a track position with Avila University in Kansas City. Je'Kel Smith, Avila University's Head Track/Cross Country Coach, was honored to present the contract.



Having grown up in a small school himself, he knows the significant impact signing a student from a small school can have on that student's school and community. Tylar's scholarship for \$7000 will aid her education. Her parents and her coaches beamed with pride as they watched her sign, and you could see the excitement and anticipation on Tylar's face as well. This signing was the first Calhoun R-VIII has had since our own Melissa Hicks signed for a basketball position at Park University in 1981. We are beyond thrilled for Tylar; may the wind be always at her back.

Student and Teacher Updates

Calhoun R-VIII School District 3rd Quarter Awards

Perfect Attendance

K-Kitianna England, Timothy Smith

1st-Carson Goodloe

2nd-Parker Slater

3rd-Allie Dunham, Kimber Marriott, Kaydie Moore,

4th-Jessica Hicks, Brayden Slater, Jackson VanCamp

5th-Maddison Goodloe, Wyatt Moore

Perfect Attendance All Year

3rd-Kaydie Moore

5th-Wyatt Moore

Hard Workers

K-Josh Antwiler, Rosie Mantonya, Misael Martinez, Kitianna

England, Timothy Smith

1st-Carson Antwiler, Emmilyn Carney, Jaden Decker, Kayla

Dunham, Charlie Fields, Carson Goodloe, Evan Gray, Lyrick

Houk, Matthew Morgan, Owen Pennock, Cayden Stapleton

2nd-Lily Antwiler, Carson Dittmer, Keegan Hartley, Zanden

Shearer

3rd-Kaydie Moore, Christopher Nelson, Emmaleigh Smith

4th-Abbey Funk

5th-Trent Ethridge, Josh Smith

Honor Roll, A and B

2nd-Lee Higginbotham, Jacob Morgan, Easton Nelson, Parker

Slater, Gavin Smith

3rd-Allie Dunham, Trevor Fields, Preston Hardesty

4th-Travet Bailey, Abby Taylor, Allisa Wood

5th-Madison Goodloe

Principal's Honor Roll

2nd-Andi Wood

3rd-Kimber Marriott

4th-Jackson VanCamp

5th-Ally Ross

Dr. Seuss/Read Across America

Calhoun R-VIII participated in a week-long celebration of reading Dr. Seuss in honor of Read Across America Day, from February 25-March 1. The festivities included dress-up days, daily read-ins (including Mrs. luchs powering trough some crazy, hilarious tongue twisters), a trivia contest, and a pizza-party penny drive.

The dress-up days were:

Monday "Fox In Socks"—W ear Crazy Socks

Tuesday "Green Eggs and Ham" —Wear Green

Wednesday "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" —Wear Red and/or Blue

Thursday "Thing One and Thing Two" —Grab a Friend and Dress Up As Twins

Friday "Cat In The Hat" Wear Your Favorite Hat—Penny Drive

The winners of the pizza party were Mrs. Bailey's 4th and 5th Graders!

Newsletter Team

We would like to welcome the newest members of our well-oiled, newsletter-making machine. The Junior High TOPS Program students will be helping out with folding and stuffing newsletters for distribution. We appreciate their help; may their folds be straight and their papercuts few.

2018-19 MSHSAA Junior High Sportsmanship Essay Contest

Once again, the English 7 and English 8 students at Calhoun were asked to participate in the MSHSAA Junior High Sportsmanship Essay Contest. At the School Level, Madalyn Ross (7th Grade) won first place, and Jacob Harris (8th Grade) won second place; both placements were based on the criteria MSHSAA gave to the school. Madalyn's essay was then submitted to the District Level and won her 13th place in the Central District. The kids will tell you that the essay has its challenges every year, but the results are always worth the effort.

Pie War Results

The Seniors, in an effort to raise a little more funding, held a Pie War mid-March. They were able to convince 12 teachers (6 each for Elementary and Junior High/High School) to volunteer as tributes. Students were asked to bring in money to vote (\$1 = 1 ticket) for which two teachers at each level would get a whip cream pie in the face, and the response was fantastic! The top "earners" for the Elementary were Mrs. Bailey (\$23.25) and Mrs. Brooks (\$30.15). Originally the top two "earners" in the Junior High/High School





were Mr. Ioanis (\$16.08) and Mr. Lamb (\$38.57), but in a last minute upset (it was worth the math, IoI) a sneaky donor managed to make sure that Ms. Russell (\$25.25) edged out Mr. Ioanis for second place. The Elementary raised a total of \$84.52, and the High School raised a total of \$80.97, bringing the overall total to \$165.49.

The seniors were grateful for all the support, but no one was more excited than all the kids sitting in the bleachers, waiting for the results. Each ticket that the kids earned gave them a change to be picked to throw a pie. Our four





tributes drew names out of a bucket to see which kids would get to pie each of them, and the results were explosive! Mrs. Bailey was pied by her own, loving son, Travet, who he had way to much fun. Mrs. Brooks was pied by Allie Dunham, who was on point with her aim. Mr. Lamb was pied by Jacob Knecht, who was adorably ornery. Mrs. Russell was pied by Tylar White, which was epic. Everyone involved had a fantastic time!

Pi Day and Water and Soil Conservation

Mrs. Bailey's 4th and 5th Grade classes celebrated Pi Day (March 14 or 3.14) in style. They worked on calculating pi with

various objects, and they also made a pi day bracelet representing the order of digits in pi. They ended the fun with sharing some yummy pies.



The classes also participated in the local Water

and Soil Conservation Poster Contest. The students' hard work showed through, and their posters conveyed a powerful message: water and soil conservation is vital.

The Place to Bee

Mr. Ioanis found out at the beginning of March that Andrew Knecht has qualified to participate in the Missouri Geography Bee on Friday, March 29, at the University of Missouri! This is a very prestigious honor, not only for Andrew, but also for our school! Only 100 students from throughout the state qualify to compete at this competition. What is even more remarkable is the fact that Andrew is not just the only student from any school in Henry County who qualified, but he is the only student who qualified from any school, of any size, that is located in an area between Kansas City, Springfield, and Columbia!!!

It is a big enough honor to be selected to participate, but if Andrew ends up winning the Missouri Geography Bee, he will win \$1,000 and an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., where he will have the chance to represent Missouri at the National Geography Bee at the headquarters of National Geographic. If he just so happens to win the National Geography Bee, he has a chance to win a \$50,000 scholarship! A lot of dominoes have to strategically fall before that can happen, but this news is certainly the first of those to fall in place!

Tune in next month for the results of the Missouri Geography Bee. Go Andrew, and go Eagles!

Teacher and Staff Member of the Year Awards

Students were gathered late February to see who won the Teacher and Staff Member of the Year Awards this year. Mrs. Shriner presented the awards to two well-deserving ladies, who both work hard daily to ensure the students they work with know their worth and the value of hard work at school. The Calhoun Teacher of the Year is Angela Roberts, and the Calhoun Staff Member of the Year is Melissa Hicks.

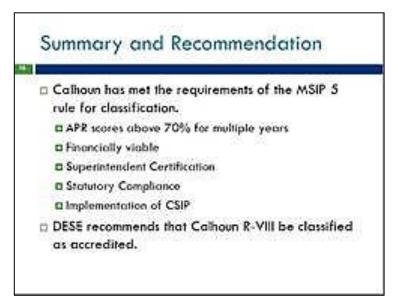


Administration Updates

Made Calhoun Great Again!

On March 21, I received a call from Shelly Aubuchon, West Central Area Supervisor for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education with wonderful news for Calhoun R-VIII. She informed me that after 8 years of our school being classified as a provisionally accredited district that The Department is recommending for the State Board of Education to classify Calhoun R-VIII School District as ACCREDITED! There are 517 school districts in the state of Missouri. Until now, only 6 were not fully accredited, including Calhoun. On March 26, I traveled to Jefferson City to attend the meeting for State Board of Education where Calhoun was the only provisionally accredited school in the state moving to fully accredited status. Our district has not had this classification since 2011!

This is huge for our school. I am honored to have represented Calhoun and witnessed our district being rewarded for the hard work and dedication of each member of the Eagle Community. This achievement is a result of the hard work by every student, staff member, parent, board of education member and all others who support our school. The screenshot of one of the slides for Tuesday's meeting shows that we're kind of a big deal! I am excited for our students as this will increase resources and funds available to do what is best for the kids of Calhoun.



I thank each and every one of you for the commitment you have made to making our school a better place for kids to learn. It takes all of us to make great things happen!

Ms. Russell

2019-2020 Superintendent Introduction

My name is Shane Stocks and I was hired as the Superintendent for the 19-20 school year back in October and I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself and express my excitement for this opportunity.

First off I would like to congratulate the entire staff and community on a great job of moving from Provisionally Accredited to Fully Accredited. This is a testament of all the hard work and dedication of every individual to come together for the betterment of the District and students. This is not possible without a great group of hard working and caring people, again congratulations.

I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you all a little bit about my family and myself. First and foremost, I am a husband and father. I have been married for twenty five years to my wife, Lola. She is an educator as well and will be teaching 3rd grade in Climax Springs next year. I have three children, our two boys are out of the house already and my daughter is still at home for another year. We are a big sports family, so when we are not busy with work, it seems we have been chasing our kids around with sports and activities most of our adult lives.

As for me, I have over 20 years of teaching and administrative experience, with my last two years serving as Superintendent in Madison Schools. I am very passionate about education and more importantly, I am passionate about striving to do what's best for students. Throughout my career, that has been a common theme for me to ask others and myself, "is this good for students or the majority of students in my care or district".

Overall, I plan to come in with energy and passion and do my absolute best to be a positive contributing member of the Calhoun School District and community. I hope to lead in a way that every person feels their worth because that will lend to a better work environment for faculty and staff, and ultimately a better learning environment for the students. I am big on collaboration and working together to find solutions for any issues or things that need attention and look forward to visiting with staff and community members on how we can continue to build on all the great things happening in Calhoun.

I look forward to the 2019-20 school year and working with you all. I hope you have a great finish to the school year! Go Eagles

Important Date Flyers/Advertisements

TITLE I & SAC Family Night!!

Thursday, April 25th
Calhoun Cafeteria
Join us for food &
family activities at
5:30!

PTO meetings

Dates: 1st Monday of the month

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: in the cafeteria

We are collecting box tops and best choice labels!

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Menu

April Breakfast Menu

Monday, Breakfast burrito, fruit, juice, milk.

Tuesday, French toast sticks, fruit, juice, milk.

Wednesday, Choice of cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk.

Thursday, Pancake sausage on a stick, fruit, juice, milk.

Friday, Biscuit and gravy, fruit, juice, milk.

April Lunch Menu

Monday, April 1-Walking tacos, corn, refried bean, fruit, milk

Tuesday, April 2-Chicken alfredo, salad mix, steamed carrots, fruit, milk

Wedn., April 3-Chicken patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, fruit, milk

Thursday, April 4-Fish sandwich, french fries, cole slaw, fruit, milk

Friday, April 5-Ham and cheese sub, broccoli, tomato and cucumber salad, fruit, milk

Monday, April 8-Hot dog on bun, tator tots with cheese, broccoli, fruit, milk

Tuesday, April 9-Goulash, salad mix, baby carrots, grape tomatoes, fruit, breadstick, milk

Wedn., April 10-Chicken patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, fruit, milk

Thursday, April 11-Cheeseburger on bun, french fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, steamed carrots, fruit, milk

Friday, April 12-Chicken quesadilla, refried beans, corn, fruit, milk

Monday, April 15-Chicken and waffle, carrots, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 16-BBQ rib on bun, broccoli, baked beans, fruit, milk.

Wedn., April 17-Chicken patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 18-Pizza, salad mix, corn, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 19-NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 22-Chicken tomato bake, salad mix, corn, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 23-Baked ham, bread stick, broccoli, tator tots, fruit, milk.

Wedn., April 24-Chicken patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 25-Chili dog on bun, curly fries, carrots, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 26-Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, salad mix, fruit, milk.

Monday, April 29-Chicken nacho, veg, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 30-Cheeseburger on bun, veg, fruit, milk.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. All breakfast and lunch menus are subject to change.