

Secondary Education Monthly Update to Board of Education

June 2018



Raytown High School

Academic Focus

- Argumentative Writing: Teachers have successfully completed and reviewed 5 rounds of argumentative writing. This is our third year engaged in this process. Teachers have noted seeing improvement in student skills related to writing sound claims. They have also seen improvement in use of textual evidence. They have identified a need to continued focus on use of textual evidence were clear written explanation connects the evidence to the claim.
- RHS Orchestra: Octavia Copes (12th) was awarded the National High School Orchestra Award.
- RHS Speech & Debate and CBI Program: The RHS Speech & Debate program collaborate with our Community Base Instruction (CBI) program so students could participate in the Jelly Bean Special Needs Speech Tournament. The students in both programs had a great time and our CBI students received several awards (see section below). A special thanks to the program teachers: Sydney Crank, Zack McGee, Jacquie Snow, and Vivian Mckinney.

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- RHS Jelly Bean Speech & Debate: The following students received a 3 rating (highest) at the Speech and Debate Jelly Bean event: Mickey Smith (10th), Elijah Bieber (9th), Jason Devers (12th), Ian Griddine (9th), Zacery Kaber (9th), Simone Porter (9th), Hannah White (11th), and Gary Willis (12th).
- RHS Theatre: The following students received Blue Star Award: Josh McCarroll (9th)—Sound Design for Anatomy of Gray, Caleb McCarroll (12th)—Best Supporting Actor in a Play as Phineas in Anatomy of Gray and Best Lead Actor in a Musical as Tevey in Fiddler on the Roof, and Carly Cobden—Best Support Actress in a Play as Rebekah in Anatomy of Gray.
- RHS Chess placed 1st in 4 out of 5 tournaments this school year.
- RHS Baseball: The following students were selected as 1st Team All-District and Honorable Mention All-Conference: CJ Johnson (11th) & Quelann Coleman (9th).
- RHS Girls' Soccer: The following students were selected for post season honors: 1st Team All-Conference: Kaosi Ude (12th); All-Conference Honorable Mention: Brigid Hughes (9th); 1st Team All-District: Kaosi Ude & Brigid Hughes; and 2nd Team All-District: Kailey Holladay (9th) & Devianni Campbell (12th).
- RHS Track & Field: The following students received awards: Dontae Manning(10th)—200m Dash (1st-Districts, 1st-Sectionals, 5th-State) and 100m Dash (2nd-District, 3rd-Sectionals), Shelby Butts (11th)—400m Dash (2nd-Districts, 4th-Sectionals, 7th-State) and 200m Dash (2nd-Districts, 5th Sectionals), Jamera Colon (11th)—2nd 100m Hurdles (2nd-Districts, 3rd-Sectionals) and 300m Hurdles (2nd-Districts, 5th-Sectionals), Boys 4x100m—Dontae Manning, Tim Cashier (10th), Marshaun Zachary (12th), & Dvonnate Key (10th)—(4th-Districts, 4th-Sectionals, 7th-State), Girls 4x200—Tariah Baker (11th), Nia Thomas (12th), Jamera Colon, Shelby Butts (4th-Districts), and Girls 4x100—Erica Williams (9th), Tariah Baker, Nia Thomas, Melijah Wesley (11th) (4th-Districts)

Upcoming School Events

National Speech & Debate Tournament: June 16 to June 23—Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Raytown South High School

Academic Focus

- Congratulations 2018 KC Scholars Seeded Awardees CSA. Candace Hayes, Dayana Taylor, Elasia Bradley, Kailynn Byrne, Sky Murphy, Thessa Ryan, and Travon, Thurman
- Congratulations Junior KC Scholars \$10,000 per year renewable for 5 years. Cara Bray-Howard, Charity Wright, Jachelle Powell, Matthew Owen, Micha Brittain, and Sonyai Carson. Way to represent!
- Congratulations Shark Tank Youth Contest Winners! Kurt Ramirez, Jacob Dodd, Joshua Blew, Alex Omorodion, and Coach Webster. \$1000.
- Please congratulate our very own Brandon Guzman. He just took 2nd in the State for Poetry Reading.
- State Debate and Forensics: Chris Brocker, Donovan Cusick, Brandon Guzman, Ahmea Parham, Abigail Ruhman, Zakia Thomas
- Jacob Dodd, Raytown South High School Junior, has been accepted to participate in the 2018 American Legion Boys State of Missouri program -June 16-23, 2018.
- The National Association of Secondary School Principals ([NASSP](#)), parent organization of the [National Honor Society](#) (NHS), has awarded Dawson Schmutzler a National Semi-Finalist Scholarship.
- Thank you BOE and Dr. Markley for the Attend to Win program. Junior Josh Blew was the winner.
- Special Recognition South Class of 2018
 - Elizabeth Wells - Herndon ProStart Culinary State Champion & National Champion
 - Jeremiah Bell - Herndon ProStart Culinary State Champion & National Champion
 - Levi Barkley - Herndon ProStart Culinary State Champion & National Champion, State Music
 - Alexis Jefferson - FCCLA 2x State Champion, National Qualifier, Silver National Medal, Girls State, University of Missouri Honors Program, Honorable Mention Missouri Scholars 100
 - Abigail Ruhman - FCCLA State Champion, National Qualifier, Girls State, National Debate, Academic All-American
 - Brandon Guzman - 2nd State Poetry, State Music, State & National Speech & Forensics, Academic All-American
 - Dawson Schmutzler - FCCLA 2x State Champion, National Qualifier, Silver National Medal, Boys State
 - Morgan VanRoss - FCCLA State Champion and National Qualifier
 - Vontrae Booker - All State & State Champion, Track
 - Kyla Davis - All State & State Champion, Track
 - JaRon Burks - All State and State Champion, Track
 - Jamar Madge - All State Basketball 2nd State
 - Sevon Witt - All State Basketball 2 years 2nd State
 - Caleb McRary Jones - 2nd State Basketball
 - Marquise Allen - 2nd State Basketball
 - Deon McKinney - 2nd State Basketball
 - Jerren Washington - 2nd State Basketball
 - Tyren Clark - All State Football and 2nd State Basketball
 - Chris Brocker - DECA State 2 years, National Debate
 - Elijah Messenger - DECA State
 - James Sharp - DECA State
 - Xyanne Purnell - DECA State
 - Alex Omorodion - FBLA State
 - Kurt Ramirez - FBLA State

- Juvi Luna - Boys State, State Vocal Music,
- Trevor Leslie - Boys State
- Emma Gibson - Girls State & Academic All State Swimming
- Lydia Jefferson - Girls State
- Lewis Caples - All State State Wrestling
- Camron Jones - Academic All State & WestPoint Military Academy
- Landon Montgomery - Academic All State Football

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach Aaron Ihm accepted the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association Class 4 Boys Coach of the Year Award.
- Vontrae Booker won 2nd place in the 400m dash at the Kansas Relays!

Upcoming School Events

- Student Council 2018 2019 Executive Board:
 - President: Brissa Gonzalez
 - Vice-President: Camila Letts
 - Secretary: Sonyai Carson
 - Treasurer: Trinity Commack
 - Historian: Kennedie Lanear

Raytown Middle School

Academic Focus

- **DRT Summary:** As we bring the year to a close, the data review teams demonstrated diligence in reviewing data for instruction. DRT leaders set the goals and agendas to share with their subject area teams. SMART goals and test data was discussed and pre-assessments were planned, effective strategies were reviewed and team leaders did an adequate job of modeling specific ideas for their lessons. As a result of the focus placed on data, post results revealed growth in both math and ELA groups. STAR Summary for math and ELA: Math data demonstrates growth with each teacher at RMS. Teachers were proud to showcase their growth percentages averaging one half to over one years of growth. ELA results revealed similar results with the exception of a few classes. Overall, student growth is evident at RMS.
- **Science Fair** Under the direction of Jeff Haynes, physical science students participated in the first annual science fair. Eighth grade physical science students were challenged to demonstrate mastery of the scientific method by creating and presenting a science fair project. In the 3 weeks, students had to generate a hypothesis about a scientific phenomenon of their choosing related to chemistry, physics or biology. Students researched ideas, designed a series of controlled experiments, collected/analyzed data and wrote a conclusion that summarized their findings. This information was supported by the data and justified by current scientific laws, principles and theories. After their experiments and investigations were performed, students then constructed displays for their projects and presented them in our classroom. Judges for the fair included teachers, counselors, administration and secretarial staff, who were asked to participate in a gallery of science fair presentations. Some of the projects featured: The effects of caffeine on plant growth, soda on dental decay, listening to music on reading speed, is the "5-second rule" true. This was a truly meaningful activity for students as well as adults!

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- **Music Department** The month of May presents an exceptional display of music excellence. Each class is represented during spring concert season performing a medley of the year's classic songs.

Vocal and Instrumental departments represented RMS with talent pride and dignity. It is a pleasure watching our students perform such high quality music.

- **Attend to Win Assembly** Three students were honored on the last day's assembly recognized by Dr. May when presented with Main Event tickets for maintaining a successful attendance record. Grade level students honored were: Grade 6, Doneisha Funderburke for maintaining 100 percent attendance, Grade 7 Samantha Oliver for maintaining 98.8 percent attendance and grade 8 Kathy Guerra-Pineda for maintaining 97.65 percent attendance. Fifty-six percent of RMS students were eligible for the incentive with a total of 2,828 entries. Way to go RMS!!
- **Student Recognition Night 2017** The annual Student Recognition Night was held on Tuesday May 8, 2018 to formally recognize students earning an exemplary GPA of 3.5 or higher, while also successfully contributing to the RMS community by their achievements and activity involvement. Recognitions include presidential awards, academic honors, activity and sportsmanship awards and most improved performance awards. It was a proud moment to recognize Cynne Soria receiving the Principals Academic Scholars Award. This award was presented for outstanding achievement throughout three years at RMS maintaining the highest GPA percentage. A plaque and a one-hundred-dollar savings bond were presented to Cynne and her family. Additionally, Je'zhon Baker and Aleyaja Baskerville earned MSHSAA outstanding male and female student athlete awards for exceptional athletic talent and sportsmanship.

Upcoming School Events

- Summer School June 4 to June 29

Raytown South Middle School

Academic Focus:

- MAP TESTING: Mrs. Sopha and the testing team at South Middle did a great job organizing and managing GLAs and EOCs this year. The faculty was focused and did a great job encouraging and supporting students. Student worked hard to be in attendance, bring their charged Chromebooks, and give their best effort while testing. We are looking forward to seeing the fruits of our labor in the fall.

Parent/Community/Activity Focus:

- The PBS team held our Annual PBS picnic and student recognition night on Thursday, May 10th. We hosted over 300 families and served over 700 hot dogs. Students who had earned a 3.0 GPA all 5 trimesters received Academic Honor Role Awards and students who earned a 4.0 all five trimesters earned the Principal's Honor Role Certificate and Medal. We had over 400 students earn 90% attendance awards and recognized several other students for outstanding citizenship. Inflatables, dunk booth, and games were enjoyed by all - it was a great night and we enjoyed seeing so many of our families in the building.

Upcoming School Events

- SMART START SUMMER SCHOOL June 4th – 26th.

Raytown Central Middle School

Academic Focus

- May has once again been a FULL month at RCMS. We started this month with finishing up our two weeks of MAP and EOC testing. I was incredibly **impressed** by the hard work and dedication observed by our teachers as our students put a great deal of effort into their assessments! As we wrapped up MAP testing we moved into our final exams review - and/or final projects. As we close out another great school year we are looking forward to the work that we will do as a staff in the 18-19 school year as we continue to grow in the Data Review Team process with deeper, more meaningful implementation.
- We rounded out the month of May with exciting visits of our incoming 5th grade students, and sending our 8th grade students to visit their respective High Schools. We were also able to recognize students in grades 6-8 for their Academic and Attendance Achievements over the course of this school year. Our last day was filled with yearbook signing festivities and our annual field day to celebrate the culmination of all of the hard work and dedication our students put in all throughout the school year.

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- May 18th a group of parent volunteers helped to sponsor the 8th grade celebration that was held the last couple hours of the day. Our 8th graders were able to enjoy pizza, games, making memories with classmates, and a DJ.
- May 17th we held our Academic Recognition Ceremony in the Gymnasium. Parents and students enjoyed cookies and punch following the ceremony to celebrate their students.

Upcoming School Events

- June 1st – Summer Vacation Begins!

Raytown Success Academy

Academic Focus

- RSA Graduates
- STAR Assessment

Parent/Community/Activities

- May 10th Senior Reception
- May 17th Level Celebration
- May 18th Elementary & Middle School Field Day
- May 25th Elementary Graduation
- May 30th All School Assembly – Recognizing Most Improved Behavior and Attendance (Staff and Students) Staff vs. Student Basketball game

Herndon Career Center

Academic Focus

- Over 170 students earned industry recognized credentials as identified by DESE for calculation in MSIP.
- Students in Cosmetology and EMT are in the midst of taking the second part of the required licensure tests.
- Several students were offered employment based on skills learned and certifications earned while at Herndon.
- Students selected for 2018-19 attended Meet the Teacher Night and Orientation on May 10.
- Two students earned National Technical Honor Society scholarships for use in the 2018-19 school year.
- Two students were awarded Raytown MSTA scholarships for college or towards the purchase of required tools for employment.
- Two students were awarded REF scholarships for use for college or towards the purchase of required tools for employment.

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- Awards Night was held May 2 at Raytown South High School. Over 200 students were recognized over the course of the evening. We also recognized 11 industry partners for their support of HCC programs: Mike Noe (Cosmetology), Schloegel Design Remodel (Construction), Summit Truck Group (Diesel), Automatic Systems Inc. (Welding), John Knox Village Public Safety (EMT), MHC Kenworth (Auto Collision), Dick Smith Ford (Auto Technology), Villages of Jackson Creek (Nursing), Freestyle Graphics (Advertising & Graphic Design), Lee's Summit Police Department (Law Enforcement), Martin Bros. (Culinary Arts). A picture slideshow of the year was available for parents and students to view.
- https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vQ8I5zV4s5yZ3g2lvJEOLQCbWALRd_AkmvW9097p8eTeHZnNzpOyIlfqur7e96YhM85ICwDqZcGywrq/pub?start=true&loop=true&delayms=3000
- Students were recognized on Fox4 in regards to being able to make decisions related to college and career based on their own preferences. <http://fox4kc.com/2018/05/20/trade-jobs-offer-career-success-without-college-degree/>
- Culinary students were recognized on Fox4 in regards to their National Championship. <http://fox4kc.com/2018/05/22/metro-chefs-in-training-from-herndon-career-center-take-top-spot-at-national-competition/>
- Advisory committee meetings were held on May 30. Over 100 people contributed to the review of data and continual improvement of our HCC programs.

Upcoming School Events

- August 1: First Day of School for Cosmetology
- August 7: NW Regional Professional Development Day
- August 15: First Day of School for All Other Programs

Southland CAPS

Academic Focus

- Awards Ceremony was hosted with a very successful Gallery Walk, where students presented their passion projects, followed by Awards Ceremony.
- Two students were awarded \$500 scholarships from Raytown MSTA.
- We acknowledged our Students of the Year for each program at the Awards Ceremony; Kayley Ellmaker for Animal Health and Gaven Walker for Technology Solutions.
- We hosted Meet the Teacher night on May 10 and got to meet the majority of our students for next year. It was great to answer questions and meet our next cohort!
- We have started approving business project proposals for the 2018-2019 school year.

Business/Community Focus

- We received a tour of our new classroom space at the KC Zoo. We will have a dedicated CAPS Classroom for our students. This will allow our students to be a part of the care schedule for the Education Zoo Mobile Animals.
- We awarded Industry Partner of the Year awards to the Kansas City Zoo for Animal Health and to the Raytown School District Technology Department for Technology Solutions.
- We had 8 students who were offered and accepted paid employment opportunities as a result of their internship experience at Southland CAPS.

Upcoming School Events

- CAPS Network Summer Huddle: June 20-22
- Missouri CAPS Meeting: August 1-3

Please feel free to watch a recap of our first year! https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vTpUtyLXErip6BVucfXZd4_JR1ytrtGY9DkhQsZE9AgalyUitMrXnlm59byhwuvbanRqDK4ifCzgbv5/pub?start=true&loop=true&delayms=3000

Northwood

Academic Focus

- IEP Goals & Objectives
 - Continued focus on individualized educational goals
- MAP & EOC Testing
 - NWSA Middle School & High School Students

Parent/Community/Activity Focus

- L.I.F.E. Program Work Experience – Students are gaining work skills at the following businesses
 - Raytown Wellness Center
 - Raytown Technology Department
- Northwood Graduation - May 11, 2018 –Three students from Northwood and Northwood Success Academy received their diploma during our commencement ceremony.
 - May 19, 2018 – One Northwood Success Academy student earned their diploma and walked with Raytown High School commencement ceremony.
 - May 19, 2018 - One Northwood Success Academy student earned their diploma and walked with Raytown South High School commencement ceremony.
- Northwood Field Day May 25, 2016, Facilitated by education students from Baker University, Students participated in water games followed by a cook-out

Upcoming School Events

- Summer School/ESY will be held at Central Middle School this summer