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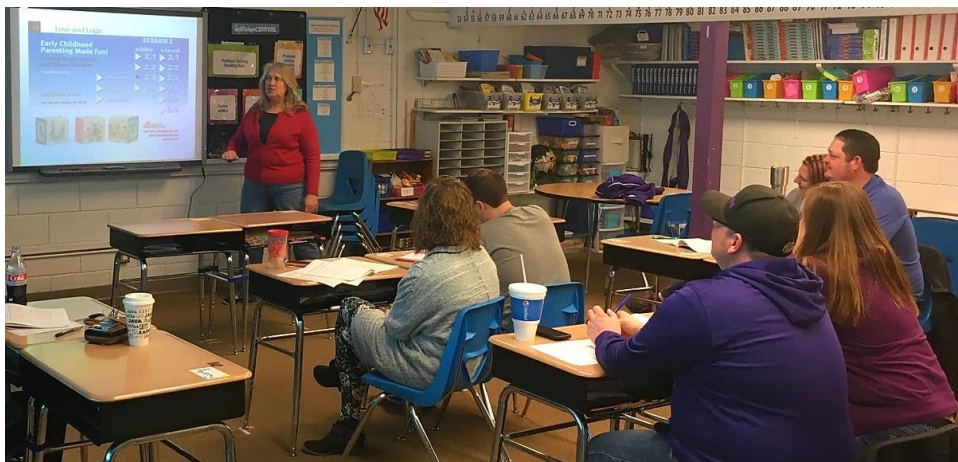
Notes from the Elementary Office

By Mr. Johnson, McLouth Elementary Principal

Student
Pics Pg. 2

Class Assignments for Next Year: Teachers will soon be placing students into next year's classes. We will use information we have about each student to make the best match possible. If you feel there is information that needs to be shared to help with this decision please make an appointment to meet with Mr. Johnson in person. After class rosters are set we will not make changes.

Love and Logic Parenting Event: Thank you Peggy Lackey with NEKAP of Atchison, Ks for leading our first *Love and Logic Parenting Event*. Families were exposed to strategies and techniques that will help children grow into independent successful adults. NEKAP is a resource for all families of Jefferson County.



- IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**
- ✓ **No School**
Friday, April 13
 - ✓ **Science Night**
Tuesday, April 17
 - ✓ **Patriot's Day Parade**
Saturday, April 21
 - ✓ **Field Day**
Thursday, May 3
 - ✓ **Libraries Rock Assembly**
Tuesday, May 8
 - ✓ **4th Grade State in a Container**
Monday, May 14
 - ✓ **4th Grade Wax Museum**
Tuesday, May 15
 - ✓ **AR Inflatable Party**
Wednesday, May 16
 - ✓ **Last Day,**
Thursday, May 17

McLouth Elementary Expectations

- ✓ Respect yourself
- ✓ Respect others
- ✓ Respect your school

McLouth Elementary Mission Statement

"Together, we live in a community that promotes academic excellence, respect, lifelong learning, and responsible citizenship."

Menu

<p>Daily Breakfast – Choose one of the following: Breakfast Pizza, Biscuits & Gravy, Waffles, Cereal, Breakfast Sandwich Breakfast starts at 7:45, doors close at 8:00</p>				
Apr. 9	10	11	12	13
Lunch: Pig in a Blanket	Lunch: Taco Salad	Lunch: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce	Lunch: Chicken Wrap	NO SCHOOL
<p>*All meals include Fruit Bar, Hot Veggie Bar, Cold Veggie Bar, and Milk</p>				



Top Left Clockwise: Thank you Mrs. Curry and students for providing daycare for the *Love and Logic* event, prek learning to share and practicing with manners, WATCH D.O.G.S.

KESA

Who? – All schools in Kansas

What is it? – A five year process dedicated to school improvement

What are we improving? – EVERYTHING!

- **Kindergarten Readiness** – preparing students and parents for early learning
- **Social, Emotional, Character Development(SECD)** – giving students the skills necessary to become responsible, accountable, empathetic adults
- **Bullying Policy** – working with all stakeholders to align a framework to help all students
- **Crisis Plan** – working with local officials to evaluate and alter as needed our crisis plan to provide training and procedures to help keep our students safe
- **Individual Plan of Study(IPS)** – helping all Kansas students obtain a suitable vision of their path toward college and career readiness
- **Relationships** – working to improve communication and engagement with all stakeholders (students, parents and community members)
- **Relevance** – evaluating and adjusting academic content and instructional strategies that truly empower students and prepare them for life after school

How are we doing this?

- analyzing data from many sources including ACT scores, local assessment, parent and student surveys, graduation rates, post-secondary involvement, reading and math levels, and state assessments to name a few
- using this data to make adjustments for the purpose of improvement

Where are we in the process?

- As of March 2018 we are in year one, month eight

What have we done so far?

- Created or reorganized our school site council, building and district leadership teams and created an OVT (outside visitation team)
- Selected Relationships and Relevance as our two focus areas based on a needs assessment
- Trained teachers in KESA, SECD, IPS and Kindergarten Readiness

What are we doing now?

- **Update:** Working on the school crisis plan - next meeting TBA.
- **Update:** School is meeting with the OVT (outside visiting team) to complete the year one check list for KESA. This will be Wednesday, April 4
- **Update:** Attended School Safety Workshop on Wednesday, March 28. Student safety stays at the forefront of conversation. Information will be used in upcoming Crisis/Safety Planning meetings.



District Communication Guide

USD #342 uses several tools to proactively communicate with our patrons. The district has developed the communication guide below to assist in the delivery of information. For the latest and most accurate information about USD #342, visit the website at www.mclouth.org or download the district app for a mobile friendly version and notifications. The USD #342 homepage features current news, lunch menus, and the most accurate district calendar. The website also features a "Parent & Student" section with helpful information such as student forms, handbooks and PowerSchool information.

	DISTRICT WEBSITE www.mclouth.org	DISTRICT APP NOTIFICATIONS	SCHOOL MESSENGER	SOCIAL MEDIA Facebook, Twitter	POWERSCHOOL powerschool.mclouth.org	EMAIL UPDATES
School Emergencies	+	+	P			
School Closings	+	+	P			
Lunch Menu	P					
Lunch Balances			P		+	
School Calendar (Calendars are subject to change, please check district website for most up to date information)	P					
Event Cancellation/Reschedule	P	+		+		
Secondary Announcements	P			+		
Elementary Newsletter	P			+		+
Forms	P					
Student Handbooks	P					
Student Grades					P	
Student Attendance					P	

P = Primary method

+ = Additional methods, as applicable