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Student Shout-outs

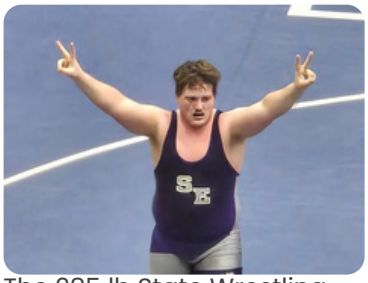
Congratulations to Bryson Lippold ($40,000) Abigail Pearson ($26,000), Madison Givens ($26,000), and Charlotte Knopf ($40,000) for earning the Dane Hanson Scholarship.

At St.John's Beloit, JH Scholars Bowl took home the "Top Overall School" traveling trophy. The seventh grade team brought home silver and the 8th grade team placed fourth.

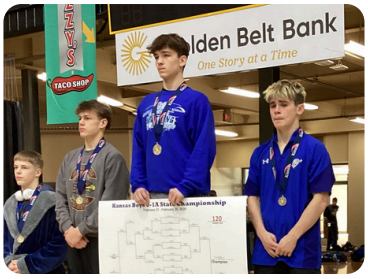
The junior high students had their college visit days. 7th Grade went to Cloud County Community College and 8th Grade went to KSU Salina and Salina Area Tech.

This Past Month in Pictures

Brielle Felzien was elected to the Kansas FCCLA Peer Ed Team Career Connection for 2026-27 school year!



The 285 lb State Wrestling Championship stays with SES. Brody Chambers defends his title!



The 120 lb state wrestling champion is Roman Tuttle. He defeats his state title with a tech fall in the finals.

Annabelle Soell achieved her 100th win in the first round of KSHSAA 321A Girls State Wrestling> She was this year's state runner-up.

Senior band student Charlotte Knopf was awarded a medal for being in the 1234A State Honor Band for three years!

Olivia Swenson participated in the KMEA State Treble Choir and sang a solo.

Exchange student, Suzu, shared with Mrs. Harris' class about a Japanese tradition called "Girls Festival".

Upcoming Events

Elementary Events in Purple

Apr 1	10 grade College Tour @ KWU & GPM **Kindergarten Screenings**
Apr 2	FFA Ag TEch, Ag Issues & Vet Science @ Beloit 3:00 - Baseball vs. Clay Center 3:00 - Softball vs. Clay Center
Apr 3	**NO SCHOOL**
Apr 6	**NO SCHOOL** FFA NCD Banquet @ Chapman 3:00 - HS JV Track @ Salina Central
Apr 7	1:00 - Golf @ Salina Municipal Golf Course 4:00 - Baseball @ Republic County 4:00 - Softball @ Republic County
Apr 8	9th Grade College Tour -Fort Hays State
Apr 9	7th-12th Career Fair 1:00 - JH Track @ Council Grove 2:00 - Golf Invitational @ Salina Municipal 3:00 - JV Baseball vs Sacred Heart 3:00 - HS Track @ Concordia
Apr 10	**Bright Beginnings** 4:00 - Baseball @ Abilene 4:00 - Softball @ Abilene
Apr 11	Regional Solo/Ensemble Music Festival @ MHS
Apr 13	FFA Livestock Judging, Floricult, Nursery @ Clay Center 3:00 JV Baseball vs Lyons 6:30 Regular Board Meeting
Apr 14	1:00 - Golf Invitational @ Chapman 3:00 - Baseball vs Sacred Heart 3:00 - Softball vs Sacred Heart 3:00 - HS Track @ Ellsworth
Apr 15	Fort Hays State University Art Show State Large Group Music Fest @ Smoky Valley
Apr 16	1:00 - JH Track @ Minneapolis
Apr 17	**Bright Beginnings** FFA Ag Fab Contest @ Clay Center 3:00 Baseball vs Chapman 3:00 Softball vs Chapman 3:00 HS Track @ Smoky Valley
Apr 18	Prom
Apr 19	KS State Twirling Sparklers Dance Clinic & Parents Meeting

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SES Parents as Teachers

April

ABOUT PAT

Parents as Teachers understands that children are born to learn and parents are their child's best first teachers. Our free program is here to assist you in teaching through play! We offer home visits, plan group events, administer screenings to monitor child development, and provide necessary resources when needed. All families are welcome.

UPDATES

Several parents joined me in learning about CPR, First Aid, and AEDs and we earned certifications through American Heart Association.

March visits were all about MATH- counting, ordering, and estimating!

COMING UP

Our PAT program will be meeting at SKY Trampoline Park for a private toddler time!

Don't forget about story times in Gypsum at the library Wednesdays at 9:30. On the 22nd we will meet at the park and learn about Earth Day with stories and a craft.

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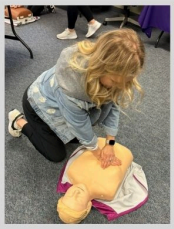
RECENT FUN



Group Connection

Dino Fun!

parents as teachers

Upcoming Events: Continued

Elementary Events in Purple

Apr 20	11:00 - Golf Tournament @ Republic Co 6:00 - FFA Chapter Banquet & Program
Apr 21	4:00 - JV Baseball @ Beloit
Apr 22	6:00 - Sparklers Tryouts
Apr 23	1:00 - JH Track @ Russel 2:00 - Golf Invitational @ Beloit 3:00 - Baseball vs Beloit 3:00 - Softbal vs Beloit
Apr 24	3:00 - HS Track @ Abilene 4:00 - Softball @ McPherson Tourney
Apr 25	3A State Music Fest @ SES
Apr 27	9:00 - SES Golf Tournament @ Salina Municipal 1:00 - JH Track @ Herington 3:00 Baseball vs Smoky Valley
Apr 28	11th Grade College Tour - KSU & Manhattan Tech 3:00 - Baseball vs Minneapolis 3:00 - Softball vs Minneapolis
Apr 29	Middle School Health Career Awareness Day @ Salina Regional
Apr 30	1:00 - Golf Tournament @ Hesston 3:00 - Baseball vs Smoky Valley 3:00 - Softball vs Smoky Valley 3:30 - JH Track @ SES
May 1	10:00 - HS Trak @ Beloit Relays
May 2	FCCLA Family Night @ Martinelli's
May 3 - 6	FFA State Contest @ Manhattan

REGISTER FOR Y's KIDS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM TODAY!

Our afterschool child care program is designed to help elementary-aged kids learn, grow, and thrive.

We focus on building confidence and character through safe, structured after-school activities— including academic support, physical activity, hands-on enrichment, art and crafts, and healthy snacks. Our caring staff nurture meaningful relationships that support every child's development after the school bell rings.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
salinaymca.org/afterschool

TAKE YOUR SPOT & SHINE
AUDITION FOR THE....

SES SPARKLERS DANCE TEAM

IMPORTANT DATES:

TRYOUT CLINIC:
SUNDAY, April 19th
4:00PM-6PM

CANDIDATE & PARENT MEETING:
SUNDAY, APRIL 19th @ 6PM
LOCATION: SES COMMONS

FORMAL TRYOUTS:
WEDNESDAY, April 22nd
STARTING AT 6PM
SES GYM

QUESTIONS EMAIL
SKLOVER@USD306.ORG

Band News

April 11 — Regional Solo and Ensemble Festival at Manhattan
Only for those students taking a solo to contest.
Performance times are TBA

15 — State Large Group Festival at Smoky Valley
High School Band will be performing
All high school band students need to wear black and white dress clothes
Performance times are TBA

17 — 6th Grade Band event with Smoky Valley (All Day)
Combined performance with the Smoky Valley 6th grade band in the afternoon. More details will be provided for this event soon.

April 24 — State 3A Solo and Ensemble Festival @ SES set up day
Each high school band and choir student is required to work a "shift" for this event

25 — State Large Group Festival at Smoky Valley
High School Band will be performing
All high school band students need to wear black and white dress clothes
Performance times are TBA

State Music Festival Help Needed

On **Saturday, April 25th**, Southeast of Saline will once again be hosting the State 3A Solo and Ensemble Festival. We need many volunteers to help run this event. If you are willing to help out with any of the following activities, please contact Sean Keasling using the contact information below. Any and all help is appreciated for the day. Even if you are not able to stay for the whole day, we will be able to put you to work for a couple hours.

Room Managers
Door Monitors
Gym Monitors
Hall Monitors
T-shirt stand
Hospitality Headquarters
Kitchen concessions
Cash register
Food cart (for judges)

Runners (go and get ratings)
After festival clean up crew
Roving help
Information table
Concessions
Lunch servers
Festival Headquarters
Parking Coordinator

Contact: Sean Keasling skeasling@usd306.org 785-536-4247

SES JH/HS

2025-2026 COLLEGE TOUR

7TH | 3/25 ● **CLOUD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
{eating for FREE at CCCC or bring a sack lunch}

8TH | 3/25 ● **KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - SALINA**
SALINA AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE
{eating for $10 at KSU-Salina or bring a sack lunch}

9TH | 4/8 ● **FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY**
{eating for $10 at FHSU or bring a sack lunch}

10TH | 4/1 ● **KANSAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY**
GREAT PLAINS MANUFACTURING
{eating for free at KWU or bring a sack lunch}

11TH | 4/28 ● **KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MANHATTAN**
MANHATTAN AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE
{baseball & softball will leave early from ksu to make game time}
{eating at the KSU Union-bring $$ or bring a sack lunch}

ALL TOURS LEAVE AT 8:15AM & WILL RETURN AROUND 3PM

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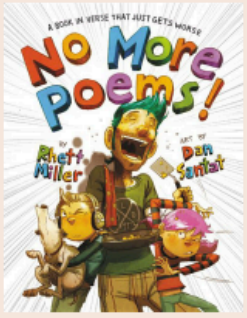
POETRY month

APRIL

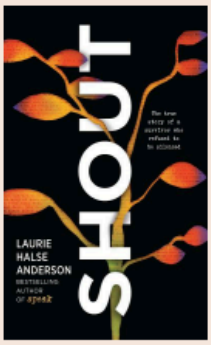
Celebrate with the library this month with these poetry books!

Ask Mrs. Henry for more great poetry suggestions!

FOR KIDS



FOR TEENS



April

Offered Daily
Breakfast:
String Cheese, Fruit, Juice & Milk
LUNCH:
Alternate Main Dish
Salad Bar, Second Fruit, Milk, Water

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Scones --- Chicken Fries Mixed Vegetable Mandarin Oranges	**2** Pancake on a Stick --- Pizza Corn Pears Sugar Cookie	**3** **NO SCHOOL**
6 **NO SCHOOL**	**7** Muffins --- Pigs in a Blanket Baked Beans Chips Peaches	**8** Breakfast Bagel --- Teriyaki Chicken Savory Rice Oriental Vegetable Strawberries	**9** Cinniminis --- Turkey Sandwich Enchilada Soup (HS) Broccoli Pears	**10** Waffles & Sausage --- Hamburgers French Fries Applesauce Rice Crispy Treat
13 Banana Bread Go Gurt --- Nachos (HS) Soft Taco (Elem) Refried Beans Pears	**14** Breakfast Sandwich --- Pancake on a Stick Tri-tators Grapes	**15 Happy National Banana Day!** Muffin --- Chicken Enchiladas (HS) Crispitos (Elem) Mexicorn Bananas	**16** Bagel & Cream Cheese --- Sloppy Joes Chips Carrot Coins Tropical Fruit	**17** Fruit Parfait --- Pizza Corn Peaches Oreos
20 Donuts --- Ham & Cheese Hot Pocket (HS) Cheezy Breadsticks (Elem) Mixed Vegetable Pears	**21** Cherry Frudel --- Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Gravy Green Beans Pineapple	**22** Eggs & Sausage --- Fiestada Pizza Mexicorn Mandarin Oranges Apple Crisp	**23** French Toast & Sausage --- Spaghetti w/ meat sauce Garlic Stick Peas Peaches	**24** Egg Scramblers --- Pulled Pork Sandwiches Baked Beans Potato Salad Pineapple
27 Cinniminis --- Chicken on a Bun Cheezy Broccoli Applesauce	**28** Mini Pancakes & Sausage --- Grilled Cheese Chicken & Noodle Soup Mixed Vegetable Oranges	**29** Scones --- Macaroni & Cheese Lil'Smokies Peas Peaches	**30** Apple Frudel --- Soft Tacos Mexicorn Refried Beans Pineapple	

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