THE ARROW

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By:Julia P.

LAST FRIDAY WAS COURTWARMING FOR CHILHOWEE. GIRLS AND BOYS PLAYED A GOOD GAME AGAINST THE BRONAUGH WILDCATS, AND BOTH TEAMS WON. EARLIER IN THE AFTERNOON, WE HAD OUR ANNUAL COURTWARMING ASSEMBLY. THE JUNIOR CLASS TOOK HOME THIS YEAR'S SPIRIT STICK. FOLLOWING THE COURTWARMING GAMES, WE HAD OUR DANCE. THE FOLLOWING ROYALTY WON: PRINCESS KAYLEE HOFF. PRINCE AARON WIRSIG, QUEEN JAHMIE CONNER, AND KING ETHAN PEMBERTON.

THE ELEMENTARY VALENTINE'S PARTIES WERE CELEBRATED ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH.

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FFA NEWS

Upcoming Events...

February 22-28: FFA Week Dress Up Days and Events
February 24: FFA Community Breakfast 7-9am
February 25: AG Carrer Day 7th-12th
February 26: AG in the Classroom PreK-6th
March 1: FFA Sunday
March 3: FFA Officer Meeting in Tribe Time
March 5: Area/State Officer Selection
March 10: Area 7 CDE's @Archie
March 17: FFA Committee Meeting in Tibe Time

Happy Valentine's Day

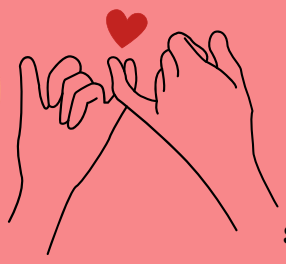
By: Hudson Jennings

"The only impossible journey is the one you never begin."
- Anthony Robbins

QUOTABLE QUOTES

By:Zoe Rogers

Love is composed of a single soul inhabiting two souls
-Aristotle



I fell in love the way you fall asleep: slowly, and then all at once.-John Green "The Fault in Our Stars

Never above you. Never below you. Always beside you.- Walter Winchell





Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, and penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope.- Maya Angelou

You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams.- Dr.Suess

SPORTS

BY: LAUREN GARDNER







Our Lady Indians worked really hard and played their best to win these past few games going on a 4 game winning streak. The win against Heartland Academy marked Coach Buss's 100th win! Great job girls.

GIRLS AND BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

2/12 @ CONCORDIA

2/13 CLIMAX SPRINGS @ HOME

2/17 KINGSVILLE SENIOR NIGHT

2/19 @ SHERWOOD

GIRLS - 5:30

BOYS - FOLLOW

WHAT'S HAPPENING

GOSSIP

- The Girls' Basketball Team placed 6th, and the Boys' Basketball Team placed 8th in the Battle of the Hardwood.
- 11th grade dominated in the assembly at the start of this month.

March 6th is the end of the quarter



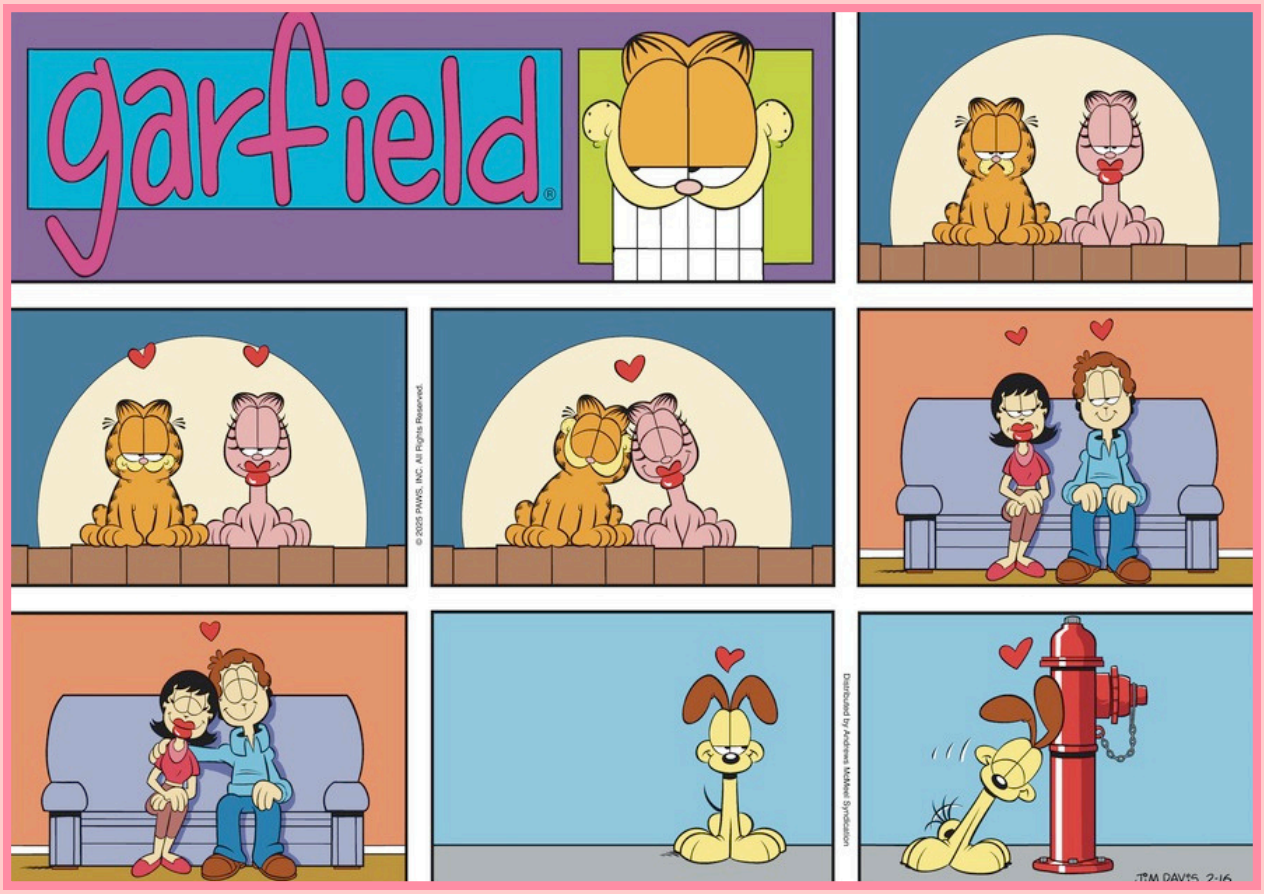
Student Leadership
They are currently planning our next student assembly

Art Club
They are planning future projects and trips

FFA
Currently planning FFA week

National Honor Society
Doesn't have anything going on currently

Chilhowee Funny Page...



Food Of The Month



In the 1960s, Lorraine Lorusso popularized this dessert by dipping fresh strawberries into tempered chocolate and letting them harden.

Quote Of The Month

"Death cannot stop true love. All it can do is delay it for a while." – Westley, The Princess Bride





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Happy Valentine's Day!

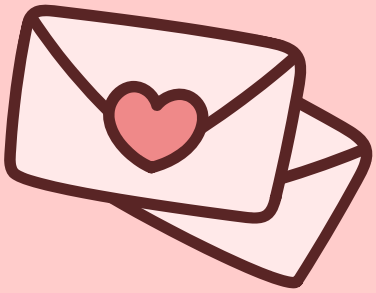


By Kaylee Hoff

For personal or single classroom use only - more heart printables from the Art Kit at: www.theartkitblog.com



Mrs. Dillon's Counselor Corner



Random Acts of Kindness Month

February is widely known as a time dedicated to spreading compassion, empathy, and goodwill through small, intentional actions. We practiced kindness the last week of January here in Chilhowee. Upper elementary students learned what a random act of kindness is, while younger elementary students focused on how to be kind.

During the month of February, everyone is encouraged to focus on small acts of kindness, such as holding the door, smiling, or saying hello. These acts of kindness benefit everyone, as they make the person doing them feel good as well. Not only should you focus on kind acts for others, but also on self-care for yourself.

Official Random Acts of Kindness Day is February 17th.



<u>January Students of the Month</u>

January Trait: Integrity

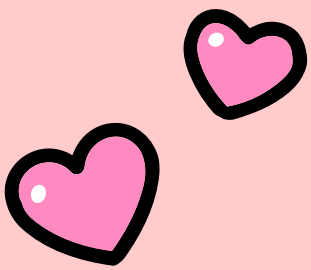
Ezra Bohannan

Harper Hutchison

Lily Millsap

Ruthie Coulter

Lauren Gardner





Mrs. Rehn's Newsletter

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

We have celebrated Courtwarming with Spirit Week and a Dance.

Midterm Grades were sent home on Feb. 10th.

UPCOMING SPORTS EVENTS

- 2/17: BB (Senior Night) @ Home @ 5:30 pm
- 2/19: BB @ Sherwood @ 5:30pm
- 2/23: Girls' BB Districts @ Green Ridge (TBD)
- 2/24: Boys' BB Districts @ NW Hughesville (TBD)

FFA WEEK

- Feb. 24th: 7:00-9:00 AM FFA Community Breakfast
- Feb. 25th: 7th-12th Grade: Ag Career Day (2nd - 4th Hours)
- Feb. 26th: PreK-6th Grade Ag in the Classroom
- Feb. 27th: Western Farm Show in Kansas City

P/T CONFERENCES

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be on Monday, March 2nd, from 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM. Call the office for an appointment, especially if your student has a D or an F in a class.

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb. 16th:
NO School for President's Day

March 2nd - March 6th
Book Fair at School

March 6th:
End of 3rd Quarter

March 9th - 13th:
Spring Break: NO SCHOOL & NO WACC this Week

CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

February 2026

Happenings

Valentine's Day Parties

Students will be having their Valentine's Day parties on Friday, February 13. Your child's teacher should have already been in contact with you about anything needed for the party.

Midterms/Conferences

Your student's midterm came home last week. Your child's teacher will contact you to set up conferences for March 2, 2026.

Upcoming Events

- February 13-Valentine's Day Party
- February 14-Parents Night Out
- February 16-No School
- February 23- Teacher Inservice
- February 26-Ag in the Classroom
- March 2-Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 3-Spelling Bee
- March 6-End of the Quarter
- March 9-13-Spring Break
- March 16-Teacher Inservice
- March 18-Spring Pictures

Contact Info

Email: kgotsch@chilhowee.k12.mo.us

Phone: 660-678-4511

Honor Roll

Chilhowee School District
Second Quarter Honor Roll

Principal's Honor Roll (All A's)

Elementary	Junior High	High School
Josiah Murphy Kobain Knecht Axtin Lankford Jack Rice Aulyve Taylor Weston Thornley Rebel Brooks Harper Hutchison Cayson McMillian Davis Murphy Katherine Widel	Krissa Cobb	Bailey Coulter Gabriel White Aaron Wirsig Nissen Elleuch Hayley Jenkins Anya Sim Alivia Smith Bryant Abercrombie Jahmie Conner Abigail Dillon Levi Jenkins Annelyse Taylor

Honor Roll (As and Bs)

Elementary	Junior High	High School
RaeLea Gregory Ayla Millsap Scarlett Tomlin Draxin Anstine Teala Bass Jaylinn Boehm Camren Smith Emersyn West Eli Moon Asher Taylor Sadie Gersema Charles Honaker Lily Millsap Raegan Warlen	Alice Widel Chloe Ammon Ruthie Coulter Lillian Grant Maddox Willcockson	Scarlett Dobbs Riley Gaylord Kaylee Hoff Hudson Jennings Abel McKinney Joanne Siegfried Aiden Wehr Holden Dean Lauren Gardner Thomas Jones Kaylee Miller Julia Packham Zoe Rogers Kristopher Baker Jasmine Chastain Freida Jones Hailey Morris Ethan Pemberton

health and wellness

Mrs. Brandy

Hello Friends!

Understanding the Differences Between a Cold and the Flu:
Influenza (flu) and the common cold are contagious respiratory illnesses, but different viruses cause them. Flu is caused only by influenza viruses, whereas the common cold can be caused by a number of different viruses, including rhinoviruses.

Because colds and flu share many symptoms, it can be difficult (or even impossible) to differentiate between them based on symptoms alone. Special tests can tell if a person is sick with flu.

Flu Symptoms vs. Cold Symptoms:
The signs and symptoms of flu can include fever or feeling feverish/chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, and fatigue (tiredness). Cold symptoms are usually milder than the symptoms of flu. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems.

Influenza
Flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and sometimes the lungs.

Most people with flu are most contagious during the first three days. Flu viruses are spread by droplets that land in the mouths or noses of people nearby.

The most important step in preventing the flu is getting a flu vaccine every year. The CDC also recommends everyday preventive actions (like staying away from people who are sick (distancing), covering coughs and sneezes, frequent handwashing)

The typical Flu season runs from October through March each year.
Complications of the flu include pneumonia, ear and sinus infections, and worsening of chronic medical conditions such as asthma or diabetes.
For more information, check out CDC.gov
Stay safe, my friends, and wash your hands!

Teacher of the Month!



Mrs. Medrano



Favorite Color: Turquoise

Favorite Meal: Chicken Alfredo

Favorite Animal: Dogs

Favorite Song: Country music

Interesting Facts

Loves traveling and learning about other cultures



Support Staff of the Month!



Mrs. Sierra



Favorite Color: Orange

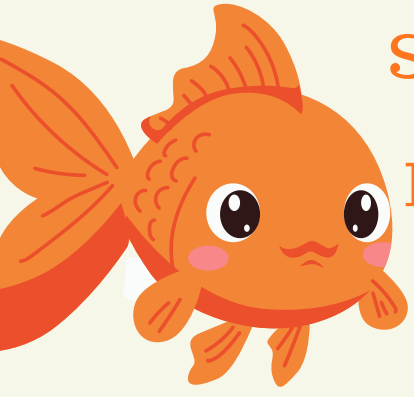
Favorite Meal: Seafood

Favorite Animal: Panda

Favorite Song/Genre: Zombie by The Cranberries

Interesting Facts

She likes to spend all of my summer at the river kayaking with her family.



The Arrow Staff

Zoe Rogers, Aaron Wirsig, Hudson Jennings, Julia Packham
Anya Sim, Kaylee Hoff, Hailey Morris, Abigail Dillon, Lauren Gardner, Alivia Smith, Charlee Kedigh, and Mr. Hughes



It started with an idea...

We, the yearbook staff, have been hard at work continuing some of the traditions of the Chilhowee R-4 school. One of those traditions is putting out a publication that emphasizes positivity, students, and community. Even though we know this is a small way to outreach, we are excited to be your new staff for "The Arrow". "Bringing back a family, community, and school tradition."

The Arrow Staff

Quotable Quotes

Love isn't something you find.
Love is something that finds you.

Loretta Young

ILove has nothing to do with what you are expecting to get — only with what you are expecting to give — which is everything.

Katharine Hepburn



By Anya Sim



SENIOR NEWS

Updates and Notices

Class of 2026

Class Motto:

"When life throws something at you, duck and let it hit somebody else"

-Class of 2026

Class Flower:

Orchid

Class Colors:

Teal and Silver

Class Song:

Laugh Until We Cried

-Jason Aldean

Important Dates for Seniors...

END OF THIRD QUARTER:

March 6th

SLIDESHOW PHOTOS DUE:

April 3rd

PHOTOS DUE FOR YEARBOOK:

April 3rd

SENIOR SONG CHOICE DUE:

January 16th

GRADUTAION:

May 15th 7 PM

SLIDESHOW AND SENIOR PAGES

It's that time! The yearbook students are busy putting together senior pages and will be starting the slideshow for graduation soon! We need photos by Friday, April 3rd. We also need a school-appropriate song choice that can be cut down to one minute for the slideshow. Each senior slide show will last only one minute. Photos can be submitted **digitally (email them to thughes@chilhowee.k12.mo.us). Seniors will have a year-book staff student assigned to their page. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at the above email.**

We need 10-15 photos for the slideshow and 10-15 photos for the senior page. You **can use the same photos for your page and slideshow. Please mark which photos are intended for the yearbook and which will be shown at graduation. If you want photos shown in a particular order in the slideshow, please number them**

SENIOR ADS IN YEARBOOK

Each senior will still get their one-page free :). There will be no additional pages available to purchase in the yearbook due to production costs and a larger number of graduating seniors. Keep in mind that whatever you/your senior would like to place on their senior page must fit on one page, about the size of a piece of copy paper. Please refer to the guidelines above for the number of pictures for the senior page and slideshow. Email Mr. Hughes (thughes@chilhowee.k12.mo.us) for more information or if you have questions. The yearbook staff apologizes for the inconvenience.

SENIOR CHECKLIST

- **Make sure all graduation items are ordered and are correct (spelling on invitations, size of cap & gown, etc.)**
- **Get your flower order to your senior sponsor (Miss Barnett) as soon as possible so they can start pricing flowers for graduation. Your first 9 are free. Prices will be determined later for additional flowers, but will not exceed $6.50 each.**
- **Order your yearbook! Yearbooks are $40.00 dollars each, cash, check, or online order using the yearbook purchase form/code.**
- **Turn in photos and song choice for the slideshow.**
- **Enjoy your last months of high school.**

SENIOR SPONSOR

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Class of 2026

Note to parents:

I am so grateful for the time I spent with every senior this year. I love every one of their big personalities. Over these last few months, I have watched each of them face challenges and grow. I am looking forward to seeing the wonderful adults they will become. If you have any questions at any time about upcoming events that your Senior is involved in, please feel free to contact me at any time.

-Alexis Barnett

Notes from Mrs. Dillon

The countdown is on for the end of senior year! Tough to believe it is just a few months away. As you are thinking about future plans, keep in mind that there are some big things you need to do.

If you are college-bound (private, 4-year, community, technical):
1. Apply to the college
2. Fill out your FAFSA (even if you don't think you qualify)
3. Apply for any scholarship you can (deadlines for scholarships are looming)
4. Get Mrs. Dillon a copy of your acceptance letter
5. Ask Mrs. Dillon to send your transcript to your college; many will not process your application without this
6. Make sure you have met all the A+ requirements

Selective Service:
Boys, make sure you know what this is and have registered.
Men are required by law to register within 30 days of their 18th birthday.

Other than that? Keep your grades up, make smart decisions, and enjoy the rest of the ride!

Academic Recovery Time and Graduating Seniors:
Seniors must make up any unexcused absences or tardies accumulated August through May during Academic Recovery Time (A.R.T.) before the day of Graduation. Students will be required to track their A.R.T. time and obtain signatures on their tracking log for each hour served. A student cannot serve a behavior office detention at the same time as they are making up academic recovery time. A student's parent/relative who is a school employee cannot sign their relatives' A.R.T sheet or vouch for their hours.

MRS. DILLON

Odds and Ends

Thank you for all your support for our seniors!

Note on Pictures: If you need pictures to be scanned for slideshow or yearbook, please have them delivered to the school, and we will scan them in digitally. Please make sure they are labeled for either slideshow, yearbook, or both. If you have a particular order in slideshow you would like them please make sure they are labeled 1-10 etc.

Mr. Hughes



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