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High School Office

High school basketball season is underway! The Girls are 2-2, and the Boys scores are 3-1. Mr Martin would like to let everyone in Macomb know that there will be a new disciplinary system implemented. This new system will help track records. He would also like to add that he appreciates how everyone is handling the new phone law.

-Kam and Hunter

Elementary Office

Some of the goals set in mind by Mr s. Miller would be the continuation of STEM classes as well as the goal of honoring Hornet pride kids. She would also like to look out for these exciting events: Christmas Program on Dec 18th alongside the Gingerbread House Building and Literacy night on the same day, and the Macomb PK-2 Basketball Festival from 9-12 and the Potawanamie County Nutrition Program for 3-4. Improvements will be made to the school such as growing the buildings and making more classrooms. Mrs. Miller would like to announce to the community that they're continuing to help build character in the students everyday such as building character, grit and thinkers for the future.

-Kam and Hunter

3 Year Old Program

This month the 3 year olds learned a song to sing at the veteran day assembly. Mrs. Hacket is so proud of all the students, they had so much fun last month with all their halloween activities. They are looking forward to learning some new Thanksgiving songs and doing some fall artwork. They will also read several Thanksgiving books and learn about sound patterns, and make shapes with popsicle sticks.

- Shaiann kalkbrenner

Kindergarten

Kindergarten is currently learning by adding their numbers together.They also love reading there because they do it everyday. The kindergarten class has been singing for their Christmas program that they have to perform for.The kids have been

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learning how to share with friends. The Kindergarten class has been getting taught how to be kind and respectful to their adults.

- Narsi

First Grade

First grade has been busy learning and having fun! We've been working on collecting data using tally marks, picture graphs, and bar graphs to show and compare information. In science, we've been exploring the water cycle and learning about different types of weather.

Our students are also preparing a special performance for the Veterans Day Program,where they will sing "The Grand Ole Flag" and dress up in patriotic colors to honor our veterans. We had a fantastic Halloween party filled with fun activities, including decorating and painting pumpkins. First grade is doing a wonderful job and we're excited as we move into Thanksgiving and the holiday season! Thank you for all of the support.

- Kayla

Third Grade

This month, for the 3rd grade class, the students are learning about the Westward Expansion, memorizing multiplication tables, punctuation, and expository writing. Furthermore, Ms. Phillips is teaching the wonderful 3rd grade students about the human skeletal system, and the associative properties of multiplication. The students are reading fiction stories, one being a Cuban-based story, further enhancing their speech skills by utilizing Spanish. An activity that the students are doing this month is practicing their writing, reading, and math skills, for the upcoming spring tests. The 3rd grade class also has a class frog, their name is Jumper.

- Gio Rivera-Jimenez

Fourth Grade

The 4th grade class has been learning lots of fun and cool stuff like in stem for the girls they made see through x-ray with their bones in their hands. The reason they were doing that project is because they are learning about the human body bones.In their history class they are learning about the continents all over the world.In math they are learning there math facts which is very

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important that they learn that stuff. Another cool thing they are learning is economics.For science they are learning energy transfer and how it works.

- Narsi

Fifth Grade

Mr.Adams is working on fractions this month and a way to work them out. They have created scaled models of the 5 basic layers of earth's Atmosphere. They have a field trip planned to go to the OSU women's basketball game. He has 25 amazing kids. The 5th grade box bone project will be coming up after Thanksgiving break.

Mrs. Beauchamp Middle School Math

For this month the 7th grader will be learning about proportional relationships and the 8th grade is learning about equations and scatterplot. The 7th grade has already done a shopping project about what products have the best unit. The 8th grade has done function pumpkins where the students graphed functions and made 3D pumpkins. The student who stood out in 7th grade was Chasley, she completed work on time and was helpful to other students. As well as Imagine she is a new student that has jumped right in and is working very hard. In the 8th grade Jaxsun is always doing what he is asked.

- Addy

Mrs. Delsigne Middle School

Next month Ms. Delsigne is planning on focusing on grammar and pronouns, nouns. What she has planned for the year is for making her students grow as readers and writers. When asked what she's done this month she said subject nouns and using verbs correctly in sentences. She has an incentive trip to the zoo planned sometime in the future. When asked what students stood out to her, she said Ryan Bridgeford, Tierra, and Ray For always doing what's expected. She has a student count of 45.
-By Gavin and Zane

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Coach Hopkins Middle School

Coach Hopkins has around 50-60 students and next month they plan on learning about eco systems and adaptation. They have science-y stuff and projects planned for the rest of the year. This month they have done a project where you create your own animals. They currently have no field trips planned. -Zane, Gavin

Freshman News- Ms. Hensley

Freshman will be working on a Rube Goldberg machine this month, this project will involve energy transfer alongside chain-reactions. While they're working on that, they will be getting involved to come up with a class fundraiser. So be on the lookout for their fundraiser and maybe even help support them.

- Kam

Sophomore News- Ms.Blankenship/ Mrs Riggs

For this month the 10th graders are learning about themes and conflicts. They will soon be working on point of view and theme projects. They are selling freeze dried candy for a fundraiser at the home basketball games. They are also collecting money for pie in the face contest every Friday until December 12th. They went to see a play called ¨Little Women¨. Some students who stood out were Addy, Ashley, Rylee and Shaiann. They are great singing artists and money collectors for pie in the face. This year there are 17 students.

- Addy and Shaiann

Senior News- Ms. Spikes/Mrs Laguna

The senior class has been hard at work raising funds for their senior trip. We still have 19 oz insulated Macomb Hornet mugs available for purchase if interested please reach out to any senior. The cost is $15 each. Seniors are also still selling snacks and drinks out of Ms Spikes' classroom. We want to give a huge thank you to Mrs. Vanessa Laguna for the amazing job she did on the dinner at the fall carnival. We also want to say thank you to everyone who

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donated items for the auction and everyone who purchased items from the auction. The class made about $1200 between the dinner and the auction. We have decided on Fort Morgan Alabama for the senior trip and are starting to make plans. We will be leaving the morning of May 11th and returning on May 15th. Mark your calendars now for graduation on May 9th at 10 am in the gym.If you are a senior and have any questions please reach out to one of the class sponsors: Mrs. Vanessa Laguna and Ms. Sharon Spikes.

- Addy

Mrs. Southerland-Agriculture

8th and intro ag are finishing up record keeping and starting food science animal science rations. Horticulture chemical safety and shop projects. Ag comm is learning about formal writing and speeches.

- Addy

Mr. Knoke -

The US History and World History students are about to begin their annual Theme Park Projects. World History is doing the "Renaissance Theme Park" project and the US History "Roaring 20's Theme park" This is a class effort where students have to create four unique quadrants of a "theme park" based on the time period of history assigned to them. Different groups work on different quadrants to piece together a cohesive theme park with themed rides, concession stands, and other attractions. Be on the lookout for more on those projects in a later edition of the paper.

- Hunter Hatler

Ms. Spikes-Math

Algebra 1 is currently working on linear equations and slope. Geometry is working classifying and solving triangles. Algebra 2 is working on systems of equations and piecewise functions. Math of finance is learning about types of fraud and what warning signs to look for. We have an upcoming field trip to celebrate students who did well on the beginning of year benchmarks. We will be starting middle of year benchmarks soon. I am hoping to

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take my CSI course to the Museum of Osteology during the 2nd semester.

- Shaiann Kalkbrenner

High School Boys Basketball

Basketball season has started here in Macomb, and the Hornets have started off with a bang. The Hornets are standing at 2-1 and are working towards getting better. They had preseason scrimmages and we asked Coach Samaha how they performed. “Well- we learned what we are good at and what not.” When asked what they've learned since then Samaha said, “Play, and that we have a pretty good chance of being a good team.” The boys will be working towards upcoming games and tournaments. The next big challenge will be the Little River Conference Tournament, set for December 1-6.

- RyLee Hancock

High School Girls Basketball

Basketball season has officially started here in Macomb, and the Lady Hornets are putting in the work for a competitive year. We spoke with Coach Hancock about the team´s preseason and what they've been focusing on. The Lady Hornets held scrimmages against Meeker. Coach Hancock says the scrimmages went, ¨About what I expected, we seen what we needed to work on.¨ When asked about what the team has been doing to learn from those mistakes, Hancock said, ¨A lot of full court drills for conditioning, blocking out, man on man, and just overall playing offense at a faster pace.¨ After a rough start the Lady Hornets stand at 1-2, but are determined on bouncing back and are focused on upcoming games and tournaments. The team's next big challenge is the Little River Conference Tournament, set for December 1-6.

- RyLee Hancock

Junior High Girls Basketball

Junior High basketball season is up and running, we went and asked Coach Hancock how his Junior High Girls season has been going. Hancock said, ¨ Great.¨ Recently they played in the Junior High Little River Conference Tournament. They lost in the consolation game. When we asked how they did he said, ¨We got beat in consolation and got beat 4 by Mason, just as we did the night before in a

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regular conference game.¨ We also asked why and he said, ¨We just missed too many shots.¨

- RyLee Hancock

Staff Outlet

Mrs. Mason said “Christmas break cannot come soon enough” Cee cee is ready for basketball season to start.

Academic Team

The Academic Team will have regionals on November 15th at Midway High. So be on the look out for them and even cheer them on! Their plan is to reach at least top 4 during the regionals to advance up to the area where they will need to compete against 12 different teams. Ms Blankenship would like to give a special shoutout to Gio and Jasson as they are some of the top players in the team. As always, be sure to cheer them on!!

- Kam

Student Council

The student council is hard at work planning the upcoming pep rally and homecoming, combining creativity and teamwork to make both events unforgettable. They have created a theme centered around Euphoria, aiming for vibrant colors, energetic music, and an atmosphere that feels exciting and uplifting. From arranging spirited decorations to fine-tuning the event schedule, they’re focused on creating an experience that brings the whole school together. With excitement building, the council hopes their efforts will boost school spirit and give students a celebration to remember.
-Shaiann Kalkbrenner

Student Center

The RBC Student Center is excited to kick off its third year! Under the leadership of Romulus Baptist Church and Helen Lee, the director of student ministries, along with our dedicated weekly volunteers, we are excited to welcome students back to campus and start another academic year. The center aims to create a welcoming environment where we can connect with students, build relationships, and share God’s love within our community. Each week, we share a verse and offer words of encouragement to the student. The atmosphere is upbeat, and since reopening for another new academic

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year, we have seen record attendance, with an average of 30 highschool students visiting daily during the lunch breaks to enjoy snack, play pool or ping pong, or simply hang out. We have also created a space for students to do homework or work on projects during their lunch breaks. In the coming weeks, we will launch a new year of FCA (Fellowship Christian Athletes), which will be held weekly for athletes and any student interested in participating in a short bible study, along with lunch. In the months ahead, we plan to provide supplies for special projects that promote school spirit at games and other small initiatives. We enjoy the time spent with each student who visits, as it allows us to get to know them better and offer encouragement when needed.
- Adilyn Beauchamp

Yearbook

The yearbook class puts out the school newspaper once a month. You can find it posted on the school's website. If you have anything you want to submit for consideration please email it to sspikes@macomb.k12.ok.us. We are also hard at work designing this year's yearbook. If you have pictures please send them to the above email address. We are currently selling business card sized ads for $25 each. We also have page sponsorships available for $25. Please contact any yearbook staff member or Ms. Spikes if you have any questions.

We just had the Halloween soda fundraiser and would like to thank everyone who sponsored classes. Thanks to all the help we will be able to provide each graduating senior with a yearbook at no cost. We will be doing another holiday soda fundraiser in the spring.

Our next photo day will be on December 5th. We will be taking group and class pictures on that day. So we will be doing all clubs (academic, yearbook, Stucco, etc), sports pictures and class pictures. Please make sure your child has all required uniforms etc that day.

The 2025-2026 yearbooks are now available for pre-order. We will have three pricing tiers this year. All orders must be placed by March 20, 2026.

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If you order online at the following website https://yearbookordercenter.com/?event=general.displayLanding&jobnumber=16924 you will have two prices available. The early bird special which runs through December 31, 2025 allows you to purchase a yearbook for $25. Online orders placed between January 1, 2026 and March 20, 2026 will be $30. (Note: There is a service fee to order online) In person orders must be accompanied by payment are $35 and will be taken through March 20, 2026.

Cross Country

Gerardo Flores made X.C state this year. He went into state with a P.R of 19:16 and ranked 55th out of regionals. At state he finished with a 18:47 and ended 33rd. He crashed his P.R and his rankings.

E-Sports

The E-sports team have been hard at work to improve their skills, and teamwork. The teams have been practicing very diligently, in preparation for their upcoming tournaments. Recently, the Rocket League and Fortnite teams have played their first games of the month, resulting in a full sweep victory for both teams, extending the Fortnite teams' undefeated win streak to a 5-0. Furthermore, Mr. Knoke would like to personally shout out Korbin Whelpley, alongside James Moore for their exceptional performance in Smash Bros. For the R6 team, "there has been a noticeable improvement in their teamwork and communication skills" Knoke stated. The teams are preparing for the next season, starting January 2026. "Im very excited for the next season, with Apex Legends, Marvel Rivals, FC 26, and Chess. Also, with the start up of the new middle school season." Knoke emphasized, with the possibility of a 2nd State Championship being brought home by Jasson Harris-Green with Chess, and Gio Rivera-Jimenez with FC 26.

- Gio Rivera-Jimenez, Kam

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After School

The After-School program is off to a great start for Cycle 2. Everyone has been enjoying the new clubs for this cycle. We also have new staff members this cycle. We would like to welcome our new staff members, Faith and Mrs. Burk to the after-school program in cycle two. We are getting ready for the Veterans program on November 11th, 2025. Students are getting ready to participate in it. We are so excited to thank our veterans for their service and provide them with coffee and donuts. -Kayla

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