

USD #377 Weekly Update

For Parents, Patrons and Staff

Steve Wiseman, Superintendent

Monday, October 20, 2008

Good Things are Happening at Atchison County Community Schools!

Mr. Wiseman, Superintendent - Sports Complex Update – Interest from bonds on the quarter-cent county sales tax initiative will be used to install new water and sewer lines at the Atchison County Community School District Sports Complex. L&L Construction was the low bidder on the project and approved by a 5-2 vote (Lange and Lee opposed). If the district does not use the funds they will end up going towards the Atchison complex. There is approximately \$32,000 in interest proceeds that has been designated for infrastructure use at the USD 377 complex.

The district saved over \$7000 by revising the specifications and requesting new bids for the water and sewer lines. The district has received permission from the county commissioners to apply the remaining funds to the construction of a concession stand at the complex. Approximately \$14,400 will be available to help build a new concession stand. The district is in the process of working with community organizations to develop a joint effort for construction of a concession stand. Anyone who would like to be involved with this project should contact the Central Office at 913-833-5050.

Mark Preut, HS Principal - I would like to recognize Jennifer Hansen for her exemplary performance on the Praxis exam. ETS recognized her performance with a Certificate of Excellence for scoring in the top 15% of all scores in the history of the Praxis exam. I have attached a copy of the certificate and the letter that accompanied the certificate. This is another very tangible piece of evidence of the excellence of the ACCHS faculty and staff. The Globe also published a very positive two-part article on the election activities Jennifer has organized at the high school.

Mrs. Wiseman, Technology Director - The 2nd floor VPL lab at the MS has been rearranged and the thin client terminals line the north, east and south walls. With this set up you can see the monitor of each system when standing at almost any of the 24 systems. The only limitation is at the 2 terminals in the very northwest corner - you cannot see the 2 terminals in the very southwest corner.

Notices:

PowerSchool will be down October 22nd, 23rd & 24th (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week) We will be migrating PowerSchool data to an on-site server on the above mentioned dates. There will be no access to the program by Staff - Teachers - Parents or Students during the migration.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ANNOUNCEMENT

**Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held
Monday, October 20 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM and
Tuesday, October 21 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM
at all attendance centers.**