

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dec. 10 Early Dismissal
Dec. 19 End of Second Quarter
End of First Semester
Dec. 20-Jan. 4 Christmas Break
Jan. 5 Teacher Workshop
Jan. 6 School Resumes
Jan. 14 Early Dismissal
Jan. 19 MLK Day-No School
Feb. 4 Mid Quarter
Feb. 6 HS Homecoming
Feb. 12 Senior Night (Bball/Cheer)
Feb. 16 President's Day-No School
Feb. 18 Early Dismissal
Mar. 6 End of Third Quarter
Mar. 19 Early Dismissal
P/T Conferences
Mar. 20 No School
April 2 Early Dismissal
April 3-6 Spring Break
April 8 Early Dismissal
Mustang Relays
April 10 Mid Quarter
May 3 Baccalaureate
May 10 Graduation
May 13 End of Fourth Quarter
End of Second Semester
Early Dismissal
May 14-15 Teacher Workshop

Possible Snow Make Up Days

Jan. 19, Feb. 16, May 14, 15, 18, 19

**Congratulations to the
Linn County Band on
receiving third place at
the Chillicothe Holiday
Parade!**



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Letters to Santa by Second Grade

Dear Santa,
Hoy are your 8 rahedirs? I want a transformers toy gator sleigh a kite a baseball bat and baseball. two gam-edolyd a pencilsharpeners, a box of pencil a box of candy, ex box books a dresser, a tv, a Ps4 a lamp, a flag a dvd playr, a clock. a ton racecar a boskeit-ball a fan and Gta 5.
Sincerely,
Shay Gillespie

Dear Santa,
Has your year ben good? I want a toy flatbed gray Doge with semi tires with a brushguard. I want a black Chevy with two antennes in the back. I want a Doge charger police car. I want a black Chevy pickup that has a flatbed duelly. I want a duelly gray Doge pickup with with smoke stacks. I want a Kenworth semi. I want a doge pickup with a brushguard with some smoke stacks. I want a wrecker truck that is a freight-liner. I want a stock trailer that has three axles tha is red.
Sincerely,
Waylon Neal

Dear Santa,
How was your year in the North Pole? I love Christmas. I want a helicopter that is remoote controlled. I want a po-lice car. I want a wrestling set. I want an old time farm set.
Sincerely,
Myles Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want a 22-2 this year. I also want a toy air hog two. I hope you have a great time. Is it hard toget so many presents in one day.? I hope you nevr die. I hope everybody gets presents toolike me, I hope you like my cook-ies.
Sincerely,
Noah Wood

Dear Sata,
Are you ready for Christmas? I wan an I pod. I also want a horse. I als want Reading Bud I aso want sons sheakers. I also want aor hockey I also want a bracelet kit and a knitting kit.
Sincerely,
Izzie houchins

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Canteen Duties for the Month of December

December 16 - Juniors and Ms. Crandell

Dear Santa,
I want a play station 4 for Christmas for my family and fishing pole. I wonder how hard it is for you. to do all the stuff you do at the factory.
Sincerely,
Trey Bachman

Dear Santa,
Is your tummy full of cookies. I want a meud show halter a show stick a semi a remote control bulldozer. and a remote control. fly guy booc. I like you Santa. I will bring cookies and carrots.
Sincerely,
Cody Buswell

Dear Santa,
How fast were your reindeer? I want a new and a dig toy camper I want a peter bitt gralin and knife for christmas. I want a rifle for christmas and a new bull dozer. I want a new wecker tuck and a new polic car and a tuck police car.
Sincerely,
Avery Phillips

Dear Santa,
How do you get all of the toys to the kids in one night? I want a Airhog helicopter, a trash pack and a big firefighter Lego set. I want a Airhog gravity car that can drive on the wall and the ceiling for christmas.
Sincerely,
Jonathan Batista

Dear Santa,
How do you get all the way around the world? Thank you for giving me presents when i'm good. Here is a couple of things I want for Christmas a i phone, a new ps3 game, picture of Dunder and Blixem, some Christmas clothes, weights, a wooden puppet, and a lego Star Wars set.
Sincerely,
Colby Bell

Dear Santa,
How are you doing I am doing good, I have four dogs I like to play with then outside he likes to play with me a lot. Can you get me a doll and a doll house?
Sincerely,
Kasady Lorton

Dear Santa,
Is your belly actually like a full of jelly? For christmas I would like a Lego Star Wars Set! I would also like a new Star Wars Rebels Bed sheet set. I would also like Star Wars ornaments for next year! I would also like a few books please.
Sincerely,
Hunter Miller

Dear Santa,
How have you been I hope you can get me a 4 wheel drive automatic 4,wheeler, a toy monster truck, A mashette, A toy airhogone, a pet ground hog, A tree house that has a tv, A fire pole and a couch.
Sincerely,
Isaac Hollon

Dear Santa,
How are you? Do not let us down. I want frozen toys and that white and black chocolate that I like. I also would like a stuffed bunny that is really soft. I also would like barbie stuff. I also would like a new scooter. I would like some school dresses please. I like a truck that is a little bit bigger than last years. I also would like frozen clothes and matching high heels. I would like a guitar
Sincerely,
Scarlett Ann Griffin

Dear Santa,
How are you feeling this year? I love christmas. It's the best holiday ever. I wonder how your elves are doing. I think they are making presents for all of the kids. We will make cookies for you. I want some frozen toys. I want bunnies. I want a monkey. I want a lion.
Sincerely,
Emma Barbara Browder

Dear Santa, Is the North Pole fun and is it funny at the North Pole? I hope it is Santa. Have fun at the North Pole. How are the rinedeer Santa . Can I have that puppy? Thank you.
Sincerely,
Chelsea Morris

Dear Santa,
How are you are you doing? I want simis and Dodge truck and Ford truck and a Chevy truck and 22 I want a rifle and bow an arrow and actor figure I want a monster car I want a monster truck I want a duely truck I want a wallet. I want a fire fighter.
Sincerely,
Christopher



Linn County FFA News

FFA Fruit Sales

Ms. Jenkins is proud to announce we grossed \$20,000 in fruit sales!! Thank you to all who sold!! Top sellers were: 1st Micky Snyder, 2nd Destinee Cordray, 3rd Sydney Moore, 4th Shaina Russell, 5th Joslyn Seals, and 6th Blair Buswell!! These top six made over \$7,000!! They earned their way to the national FFA convention trip in Kentucky!!! FRUIT WILL BE IN THE 2nd WEEK OF DECEMBER!

It was a small town throw down!!

This year we switched it up a bit with Barnwarming. The FFA officers and chapter had an idea of an outside Barnwarming, and it was definitely a memorable one! We want to thank Shorty Davis, Brinkley Farms, the Seals family and the Murrell family for all of their

help. We had three flat bed trailers as we all danced the night away. FFA members played games such as singing bee, chubby bunny and a cupcake eating contest. We also had a large amount of food to eat and want to thank all the students and parents who contributed. For some this was their first Barnwarming and others their last! Royalty candidates were queens: Micky Snyder, Kim Taylor, Makayla Hudson, and Kim Taylor. Kings: Tristen Creason, Brett Smith and Brennen Neal.

We went all out....

We left for Kentucky early Wednesday October 29th. The trip was from Wednesday to Saturday. We got to tour Louisville Stone Ware, take a thoroughbred (where many numerous films were shot such as Seabiscut). We also were

changed by the amazing speakers on stage, telling us we can change the world!! We also went to the Justin Moore concert where we had 6th row tickets! Fun times were had and we enjoyed each others company. Also, congrats to Brittini Buswell on her American Degree. **Picture this...**

These are the first two words of Joslyn Seals Missouri Sheep Producers speech. We are very proud to announce Joslyn won the Area II contest and was third at Districts. Congrats!! Also at Area Shaina Russell was 4th place in the Missouri Young Farmers speech topic and Stormy Thomas 5th in the Cooperative speech area. We congratulate you all on stepping out of your comfort zone and representing our chapter well!!



News from Mrs. Gray

We have been very busy around school as usual. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday. With the month of December approaching, students will no longer be allowed to wear shorts to school.

The Junior High basketball season just finished and the High School has started their season. I would like to thank everyone that has been out to support the school in anyway so far this year and I would like to encourage the continued support of parents and community members at all events that take place.

The Elementary concert will be held on December 18th at 7:00 p.m. and the Junior High and High School concert is scheduled for December 11th at 7:00 p.m.

The second quarter will end on Friday, December 19th. I encourage all students to continue to work hard in all classes. You can access the Linn County R-I homepage and click on the calendar link to see a schedule of activities that take place.

Veteran's Day

A big THANK YOU to all of the Veteran's that were able to join us on Tuesday, November 11th. We sincerely appreciate their service.

Elementary Celebration

The elementary celebration will be held Friday, December 19th. The students will be traveling to Brookfield to watch a movie. School will dismiss at 12:20 pm on December 19th for Christmas break.

Elementary Raffle

The elementary students will be selling raffle tickets for a fundraiser. The raffle tickets will be for items that will be given away at the elementary concert. This fundraiser helps support the movie day and a few other programs and incentives for the elementary. We appreciate your support.

Chili/Soup Supper

The junior class will be holding a chili/soup supper on Dec. 16th at the HS basketball game vs. Meadville. Patrons can have a choice of chili or vegetable soup with all the fixings, a drink, and dessert for a free will donation.

Juniors are also selling a few rolls of leftover trash bags from their fundraiser. All rolls of bags are \$10. Contact a junior sponsor or a junior class member to purchase.



Substitute Bus Drivers Needed

Linn County R-I is in need of substitute bus drivers. If you are aware of anyone that would be of interest please have them contact Mr. Livingston at 244-5045.

Substitute drivers are paid based upon the number of times that they drive a bus. While the frequency of driving can vary, it is a nice additional source of income that works well for farmers, stay at home mom's, and self-employed individuals who are free to drive on a flexible schedule.

Substitute bus drivers are typically the first in line when a new permanent bus driver is hired. So being a substitute driver can lead to a more permanent position if desired.

Drivers must be 21 years of age, and be able to receive a CDL license with the Class "S" endorsement, and pass a physical examination. The district will reimburse individuals for the time related to taking the driving test, will pay for the costs of the driving test, the criminal background check and the physical, In addition the district will provide assistance in studying for the driving test .

A school bus driver has a unique relationship with the students. It is an important responsible position that can not be left to just anyone. We need strong community members to help in this important educational role. For application or more information call 244-5045.

School Cancellations/Early Dismissals

Winter is right around the corner, and with that in mind, it is in our best interest to keep our staff and students safe. If we receive a fair amount of snow please listen to the radio for school cancellations. We will still call the radio stations as soon as we know school will not be in session, and will try to do so by 6:30 a.m. If it starts snowing or getting slick during the day, list to the radio to see if we are letting out early. Remember, this is a big district with long bus routes and we have the safety of all of the students as our primary interest. Please have plans in place as to where you want your children to go in case we do let out early and you are at work. Do they know what to do? Does the school know what they are supposed to do? Do they need to ride a different bus, go to a different house, or stay with a friend? In the excitement of letting out early, it is hard to get to all of the phone calls that come in, so please make your plans now. In the case of small children, please let us know what the plans are so that we can insure that the students go where they are supposed to. It is much easier to have these plans ahead of time so the phone lines are not being used to make arrangements during the early dismissals.

The radio stations that we will be announcing on are:

KTVO Kirksville - Channel 3

KZBK Brookfield AM 1470 FM 96.9

KIRX Kirksville AM 1450

KRXL Kirksville FM 94.5

KRES Moberly FM 104.7

KCHI Chillicothe AM 1010 FM 103.9

KMZU Carrollton FM 100.7

KTTN Trenton AM 1600 FM 92.1

KDWD Marceline 99.1

Linn Co. R-I Info Line (660) 895-1234

If you are signed up for Mustang Alert text messages you will receive a text as well.

2014-2015 Yearbook Order Form

Name of Student _____

Namestamp to appear on book (if purchased) _____

Grade _____ Number of Yearbooks _____

Total Enclosed _____

\$25

w/o a namestamp

**2014-2015
Yearbooks**

\$30

w/ a namestamp

A few 2013-2014 yearbooks are still available for \$30 while supplies. Don't miss out on the new video featured in the 13-14 yearbook. It will be even bigger and better in the 14-15 yearbook!

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Home of the Mustangs**

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Look for the Mustang Alerts
button on the right side of the
homepage.

Administration:

Ryan Livingston - Superintendent
Candi Gray - Elem./HS Principal

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PREPARING FOR TOMORROW

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Health Care Drive Winners

Congratulations to the First Grade and Sophomores for collecting the most health care products in the NHS Health Care Drive.