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**ENROLLMENT: AUGUST 3, 2015**

8:00 am—1:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.  
MS/HS in School Library  
Elementary in New Gymnasium

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: AUGUST 19, 2015**

**Textbook Rental Fees**

**Technology Fees**

Kindergarten (1/2 Day and All Day).....	\$35.00	Grade 1-12.....	\$60.00	Grades 7-12 .....	\$40.00
Reduced Rate.....	\$8.75	Reduced Rate...	\$15.00	Reduced Rate ...	\$20.00

Families that qualify for free meals will also receive free textbooks, if requested. Families that qualify for reduced meals will receive the reduced fee for textbooks, if requested. **No family will be assessed more than \$120 per family for textbook rental fees per year.**

Those unable to enroll at the times above, please call the particular building office to make further arrangements. (Elementary School (785)827-8891. Middle/High School (785)225-6633.

Any student new to the district must bring a **birth certificate** and **social security card** to enroll.

**LAW REQUIRES PROOF OF IDENTITY**

Kansas law states "Whenever a child enrolls in school for the first time, the board of education is required to secure proof of identity of the child..." The district will accept the following documents as proof of identity: birth certificate, baptism or hospital record, copy of court order awarding custody, certified transcript or similar pupil record. If proof of identity is not provided within 30 days, the board must notify the local law enforcement agency.

**FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS & PRIVACY ACT**

Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), parents of students and eligible students (those who are 18 or older) are various rights with the regards to educational records which are kept and maintained by USD 307. In accordance with FERPA, you are required to be notified of those rights that include:

1. The right to review and inspect all of your educational records except those that are specifically exempt. Records will be available within 45 days of the day the district receives a request for access.
2. The right to prevent disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in your educational records to other persons with certain limited exceptions. Disclosure of information from your educational records to other persons will occur only if:
  - A. We have your prior written consent for disclosure, or
  - B. The information is considered "directory information" and you have not objected to the release of such information
3. The right to request that your educational records be amended if you believe the records are misleading, inaccurate, or otherwise in violation of your rights. This right includes the right to request a hearing at which you may present evidence to show why the record should be changed if you, request for an amendment to your records is denied in the first instance.
4. The right to file a complaint with the Family Policy and Regulations Office at the U.S. Department of Education if you believe that USD 307 has failed to comply with FERPA's requirements. The address of this office is 400 Maryland Ave., S, Room 4074, Washington, D.C. 20202-4605
5. The right to obtain a copy of USD 307 policies for complying with FERPA. A copy may be obtained from the Ell-Saline USD 307 District Office, 412 E. Anderson, PO Box 157, Brookville, KS 67425-0157

# July 13 Board Meeting Report

The meeting started with only 5 members since Michelle Cooper's term in the At-Large position expired on June 30 and Marty Kramer (Position 5) had resigned effective at the end of the June meeting. All action was approved on a 6-0 vote unless noted otherwise.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

## APPOINTMENTS TO FILL BOARD VACANCIES

Michelle Cooper was appointed to fill the Position 5 opening and Marty Kramer was appointed to fill the At-Large position. 5-0 Marty then took office immediately. Michelle was absent.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mitch Drees was elected President and Jeff Parker Vice-President.

## AUDIENCE WITH THE BOARD

Collyn Fouard asked the board to consider providing a bus to transport students and patrons to the Shrine Bowl football game at FHSU to support Evan Morriscal and Coach King.

## REPORTS

BOE – None

Mr. Minneman – His report included: updates on the 2014-15 budget closeout and the 2015-16 budget preparation; Summer Camp at the elementary school; savings of approximately \$38,000 recognized through switching the property/vehicle and workers' compensation insurance to a new company (KERMIP); rubberized surface on the track to be applied in August; increasing number of teachers across the state either retiring, leaving the profession or leaving the state which is creating a shortage of teachers for openings; Industrial Arts building sewer line being replaced; **health insurance premiums increase of 39% from \$482.88 to \$671.21 which will result in an overall increase to the district of approximately \$160,000 to cover the 70 employees who are on the plan;** and dates that he will be attending meetings out of the district before the next meeting.

## BUSINESS

**Appointments and Adoptions**—These were all approved as recommended.

**Accept Resignation**—Shelly Drees' resignation from the Elementary School ESL/At-Risk Math para position was approved.

**Approve Supplemental Position**—Erin Hecker was approved as a second Assistant HS Volleyball Coach.

**Approve Change in Positions**—It was approved to combine the District Office Administrative Assistant position and one of the MS/HS secretarial positions and Brenda Johnson was approved to fill this position. This was done as a cost-saving measure and to bring stability to the District Office Administrative Assistant position.

**Approve Handbooks**—All of the handbooks were approved as presented.

**Set Budget Hearing Date and Time**—These were set for 6:45 p.m. on Monday, August 10, which is 15 minutes before the August 10 regular board meeting.

**Approve Propane Bid**—The low bid of \$.59/gallon from Farmway Coop was approved.

**Approve KERMIP Resolutions**—I was approved to represent the district on the KERMIP Board of Trustees. Each of the original 10 districts forming KERMIP will have a representative on this board.

There was one Executive Session (Negotiations).

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, August 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office in Brookville. The Budget Hearing will be held at 6:45 that same evening. If anyone wishes to have an item added to the agenda, please contact President Mitch Drees, Vice-President Jeff Parker or the District Office two weeks prior to the meeting.





Children eligible for reduced price or free Child Nutrition Program benefits may also qualify for KanCare, a program that provides health insurance for children at little or no cost.

For more information, visit the KanCare website ([www.healthyskids.com](http://www.healthyskids.com)) or call 1-800-792-4884, Monday through Friday from 7am to 7pm or Saturday from 8am to 5pm. People with hearing impairments may call TTY 1-800-792-4292.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADING

Any middle school student that is interested in cheerleading, please contact Kris Bell, 643-0686. Thank you.



## ASBESTOS NOTICE TO STUDENTS, PARENTS, EMPLOYEES, AND CONTRACTORS OF USD 307 ELL-SALINE SCHOOLS



In accordance with Federal Regulations as put forth in AHERA, USD 307 has filed a management plan with the State of Kansas on or before October 12, 1988. This report contains information about the location of all asbestos containing materials located within the buildings of the district. There were only a few areas of the building that contained highly friable asbestos. By school, those are:

### ELL-SALINE ELEMENTARY

Pipe insulation elbows in custodial room, and pipe chase.

### ELL-SALINE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

No highly friable asbestos.

Non friable asbestos containing materials have been identified in both buildings. All entrances to areas where friable asbestos is identified, as well as specific spot notices for workers will be marked. All suspected asbestos containing materials are monitored on a regular basis and should they become hazardous will be properly removed. Inspections occur per the requirements of the regulations. All patrons of the district will be informed annually via the newsletter of the status of the program.

As long as the asbestos is monitored properly and is not disturbed, unless by properly trained personnel, there is no safety risk. A copy of all inspection reports and results is on file in each building as well as the central office. This information is available to all interested parties within a reasonable amount of time after a request. If you should have any questions about asbestos in our district, please do not hesitate to call the superintendent of schools.

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## FOR SALE

Ell-Saline USD307 will be selling used computer equipment during School Enrollment. One item per family. All equipment is \$10.00 each. Some of the equipment is notebooks and printers. Items sold as-is.

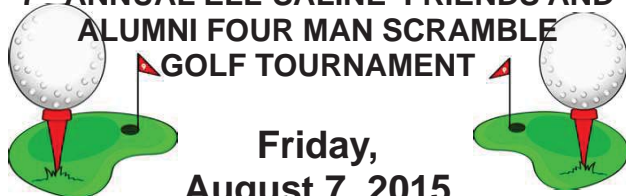


## ECHO NEWS

As a cost savings to the district, the ECHO is no longer mailed to the parents of students. It is sent to the e-mail addresses provided on enrollment forms. It is also available on the district website ([www.ellsaline.org](http://www.ellsaline.org)).

If you have any questions, please contact the District Office @ (785) 225-6813.

## 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ELL-SALINE FRIENDS AND ALUMNI FOUR MAN SCRAMBLE GOLF TOURNAMENT



Friday,  
August 7, 2015

Check out the school website for more details  
@ [www.ellsaline.org](http://www.ellsaline.org)

## COME SUPPORT THE MS/HS BAND CAR WASH

Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.  
@ Ace Hardware





## BUS TRANSPORTATION



Bus routes are mapped with primary regard to safety, efficiency, and economy. Buses will be routed as close to homes as possible, but other considerations may make it necessary to have children walk a short distance. By Kansas law, whenever practicable, no student will be compelled to walk more than one mile to board a school bus. As done in past years, buses will not be entering private drives unless they are utilized as a route turn-around or for safety. Students will be required to meet the bus at the roadway.

At certain times of the year the county roads may be in bad condition. During such times, it may become necessary to alter routes to avoid placing buses in dangerous situations.

By Kansas law, all students living two and one-half miles and over from the school will be transported to and from school.



## SEASONS START WITH SCRIMMAGE



The football and volleyball seasons will officially begin on **August 17<sup>th</sup>** for middle school and high school students. Everyone needs to have a physical examination by a licensed physician and have a parent or guardian sign the form. **Athletes will not be allowed to practice until their physical forms are signed.** If you have not received this year's physical form, please contact MS/HS Office during enrollment or after August 1st @ (785)225-6633.

Practice times for high school football and volleyball will be posted at enrollment.

On Friday, **August 28, 2015** there will be a Gatorade scrimmage for high school volleyball beginning at 5:00pm with the football scrimmage beginning at 6:00pm. Bottled Drinks (**20 oz. or smaller**) are preferred rather than the large bottles or powdered mix of the various sport drinks. Team pictures will be taken on Thursday, September 3, 2015. We hope the community will come and continue their tremendous support they have been giving the Ell-Saline Cardinal activities!!

## ELL-SALINE MS/HS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Our middle/high school activities provide patrons and friends a chance to volunteer for various positions at our activities. Such positions are ticket takers, chain gang, timers, line judges, clock operators, scorers and any other positions that come available depending on the event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Chris Carazo at the district office. (225-6813).



# SENIOR CITIZENS

All patrons of USD 307 reaching the age of 62 will be eligible to receive a pass to all athletic functions exclusive of KSHSAA games, and any tournaments. This pass is to be used from year-to-year. Each patron who reaches the age of 62 may request a pass application at the Ell-Saline Middle/High School Office. Seniors are encouraged to request this pass in person.



## ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

The Kansas State High School Activities Association requires that all students have a physical examination report from a licensed physician on file with the principal in order to participate in KSHSAA approved activities prior to the start of practice. Forms are available at the high school office and at the district office.

## FEES IMPLEMENTED FOR 15-16 SCHOOL YEAR



### Activity Fees:

**\$35.00** per student, grades 7-12, for the following activities: football, volleyball, cross-country, basketball, track, softball, baseball, and cheerleading. This fee must be paid before students are allowed to play in the first game/contest.

### Optional Student Activity Pass:

**\$15.00** per student

# SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

A school lunch is available to students every full school day. Milk is served with each lunch, but students may also purchase additional milk at \$.35 per half-pint. School lunch prices are as follows:

Grades K-6.....\$2.65  
 Grades 7-12...\$2.80  
 Adults.....\$3.50



Both the secondary school and the elementary school will offer a breakfast program. Breakfast prices are as follows:



Grades K-6...\$1.65  
 Grades 7-12...\$1.75  
 Adults.....\$2.10

People qualifying for free and reduced-priced lunches will qualify for adjusted prices in this program also. Free and reduced-priced applications are available in the school offices at enrollment time and throughout the year.

## Supply List for Mrs. Glenn's math classes (Geometry, Algebra II, Trig/Pre- Calc)



### Basic Materials Needed for Class:

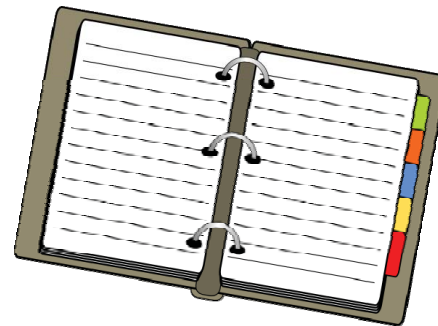
- Pencils & Erasers
- Paper (notebook or loose)
- Folders
- 2-3" ring Binder

### SPECIAL Materials Needed for Class:

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|----------------------------------|---|
| • 100 sheet Composition Notebook | • Scientific Calculator (Geometry)  |
| • Colored Pencils                | • TI-83 or TI-83 Plus Graphing Calculator (Algebra II and Trig/Pre -Calc) |
| • Colored Pens                   | • Compass & Protractor (Geometry ONLY)                                    |
| • Glue Sticks                    | • Pencil Bag to hold all your materials                                   |
| • Tape                           |   |
| • Highlighters                   |   |
| • Sticky Tabs                    |   |
| • Skinny dry erase markers       |   |
| • Graph Paper                    |   |

## SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR MRS. WERNER'S CLASSES: (8TH GRADE MATH / ALGEBRA I / ALGEBRA A & B)

- 3 ring binder (1 1/2 inches or larger) NO Trapper Keepers
- Tabbed dividers (**8**)
- Loose leaf paper (**NO** notebooks / spiral papers)
- #2 pencils or mechanical pencils (led refills)
- Eraser
- Red grading pen
- Blue or black pen
- Pencil pouch to use in binder
- Colored pencils
- Expo dry erase markers (at least 2)
- **Scientific Calculator** (TI\_30Xa recommended)
- **\*\*\*Cell phones, I-pods, etc. will not be allowed in class this year\*\*\***



## Supply List for Mrs. Nelson's Classes:

**7th Grade Math:** calculator, marker board marker, two pocket folder, paper, and pencils  
**FACS Classes:** two pocket folder, paper and pencils or pens



## DIRECTORY INFORMATION

For purposes of FERPA, USD 307 has designated certain information contained in educational records as directory information which may be disclosed for any purpose without your consent. The following information is considered directory information: name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, the most recent previous school attended by the student, class designation, major field of study, and photographs.

You have a right to refuse to permit the designation of any or all of the above information as directory information. If you refuse, you must file written notification to this effect with USD 307 at 412 E. Anderson, PO Box 157, Brookville, KS 67425-0157 on or before August 30, 2014. If a refusal is not filed, USD 307 assumes you have no objection to the release of the directory information designated.

## IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

All students entering or enrolled in Kansas schools must have the following immunizations: measles, rubella, DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough), oral polio, and mumps. A card signed by a physician or authorized proof from a health clinic is required. All students entering kindergarten are encouraged to complete the Hepatitis B vaccination series. Immunization forms will be available at enrollment.

The Salina-Saline County Health Department can provide both the immunizations and the certificate necessary for students to enroll. There is a \$20 fee for each immunization, please contact health department with questions about insurance coverage for immunizations. If your physician gives immunizations, and you have insurance that covers the expense, you are asked to have your physician give the immunization. (Comcare physicians are now providing this service to their clients.)

The health department is located at 125 W. Elm St. in Salina (785-826-6602). Immunizations will be given at the following times:

Monday's & Tuesday's.....8:00 am to 3:30 pm  
Wednesday's.....8:00 am to 5:30 pm  
Friday's..... 8:00 am to 12:30 pm

By Kansas law, students who do not have the required immunizations within 90 days from the time of enrollment must be excluded from school.



## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF ELL-SALINE STAFF



Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's/children's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals.

Professional qualifications include:

- Whether or not the teacher has met Kansas licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas being taught.
- The baccalaureate degree and any other graduation certification or degree and the field of discipline for both.
- If services are provided by paraprofessionals, their qualifications.
- If the teacher is teaching under an emergency or professional waiver.

If you have questions or would like to request further information, please feel free to contact Jerry Minneman, Superintendent of USD 307.

## EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING CLINIC

### FREE SCREENINGS

IN AREAS OF  
HEARING, SEEING, TALKING,  
THINKING, MOVING, PLAYING



### BIRTH TO 5 YEARS OLD

IN SALINE, OTTAWA, ELLSWORTH, AND  
DICKINSON COUNTIES

SALINE, OTTAWA AND ELSWORTH COUNTIES  
CALL 785-309-5100

#### DATES:

August 7	December 4	April 8
September 4	January 8	May 6
October 2	February 12	June 3
November 6	March 11	July 8

All screenings for ages 3-5 are held in the A.M.  
Birth-3 screenings will be individually schedules.

## DISTRICT COMPLIES WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Ell-Saline USD 307, in compliance with federal statutes, is committed to the concept of equal opportunity for all individuals. For this reason, the school system does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. Any person having inquiries concerning the Ell-Saline school district's compliance with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title IX, or Section 504 is directed to contact Mr. Jerry Minneman, Superintendent of Schools, 412 E. Anderson, PO Box 157, Brookville, KS 67425-0157, 785-225-6813, who has been designated by the Ell-Saline school district to coordinate the district's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, IX, and Section 504.



## 2014-2015 Second Semester Honor Roll



Ell–Saline High School has recently released its Spring Honor Roll. The staff and administration is proud of the work put in by these students to achieve this honor. To be eligible for the “A” Honor Roll, Students had to have a semester grade point average between 3.5 and 4.0. To be eligible for the “B” Honor Roll, students had to have a semester grade point average between 3.0 and 3.49. In addition to the grade point average criteria, the students could not have a grade of “D” or “F” during any semester grading period regardless of the overall grade point average. The Honor Roll is listed below.

### "A" Honor Roll

#### **12th Grade**

Kamdon Basinger, Emma Drees, Zachary Farrell, Chase Finch, Collyn Fouard, Gayle Gillham, Levi Holcom, Garrett Jacobson, Evan Morrical, Tabitha Newton, Katherina Paulson, Kiva Phelps, Cody Walters, Alleigh Weems, Darby Wikoff, Matthew Willis, Monica Wolf

#### **11th Grade**

Katelynn Adam, Rosanna Arias, Ashlyn Bird, Noah Bradley, Dakota Came, Callie Cameron, Shianne Clark, Ashley Davis, Riley Drees, Jessica Henderson, Arelia Herrman, Andrea Howard, Morgan Kindlesparger, Spencer Kochanowski, Gregory Mason, Yadira Nunez, Morgan Parker, Matthew Parks, Keaghan Patrick, Catelyn Richards, Katelynn Winter

#### **10th Grade**

Duncan Anglin, Emily Arnold, Tifanie Becker, Reilly Brin, Kodee Christensen, Morgan Davenport, Sierra DeArvil, Baleigh Griffin, Levi Harapat, Kachina Harrington, Hunter Hayes, Konon Hays, Tempest Henry, Alivia Jennings, Kylee Jones, Mikaylee Laas, Milah Linenberger, Nathan Macy, Riley McKain, Megan Northcutt, Sydney Omlie, Brooklyn Plott, Kathryn Relph, Madison Schuman, Emily Wagner, Tyler Weems, Miranda Work

#### **9th Grade**

Mattie Best, Avery Bradley, Joshua Brandt, Gabrielle Brindle, Spencer Came, Skyler Clark, Daniel Davila, Richard Davis, Brody Ditto, Mason Farrell, Desiree Garman, Madelyn Hayes, Jessi Hughes, Hunter Kindlesparger, Lexington Kochanowski, Zaide Korb, Bryce Lange, Morgan Linenberger, Malik Myers, Jennifer Nunez, Nathan Parks, Murphy Seim, Sydney Watters, Lyndsi Weems, Jordan Werner, Colton White, Faith Wolf

#### **8th Grade**

Ashley Akin, Blake Bell, Joel Came, Nickolas Davenport, Alida DeGreeff, Patrick Giersch, Cade Heinrich, Reis Jennings, Kamdyn Johnson, Megan Krebaum, Angel McDanel, Rylee Schrock, Grace Stoppel, Clayton White, Dylan White, Emily Younger

#### **7th Grade**

Connor Anglin, Alison Bird, Owen Bradley, Brianna Byerley, Ty Chalmers, Karah Dougherty, Kaden Griffin, Caleb Hammonds, Keegan Harrington, Wyatt Hayes, Kayleigh Hobby, Coleson Hopkins, Noah Hopkins, Sydney Hynes, Sawyer Kramer, Julianna Krebaum, Erin Lange, Jillian Lewin, Taylor Lewis, Katrina Nelson, Luke Parks, Kathleen Rhodes, Eric Rincon, Ashton Travis, Caleb Umscheid, Paige Vogt, Caden White, Julisa Wolf

### "B" Honor Roll

#### **12th Grade**

Luiz Antonio Arceo, Brandon Clark, Chance Finch, Jacob Hopkins, Miranda Merrill, Fallyn Morrical, Rachel Ridgeway, Austin VonLintel, Sivonna Williams, William Wilvers

#### **11th Grade**

Koby Ingalsbe, Jordan Lindquist

#### **10th Grade**

Baily Chermak, Cody Clancy, Tanier Clifford, Katelyn Edgerton, Jacob Funk, Caitlyn Hammonds, Matthew Herring, Morgan Herring, Baylee Kohman, Caden Nelson, Makayla Pierce, Randi Sheridan

#### **9th Grade**

Grace Bowers, Shyanne Dreyer, Derell Finch, Landon Howard, Jonah Mattson, Makayla Miller, Cheyenne Monasmith, Tel Phelps, Seth Steinbruck, Jared Walsh, Matthew Wilvers

#### **8th Grade**

Ashley Bishop, Curtis Frisbie, Melissa Harrington, Karlee LaRue, Kennedy Mick, Jacob Stelter, Autum Stone

#### **7th Grade**

Angel Cardona, Katelyn Dougherty, Emma Larson, Savannah Soper

# EII-Saline USD 307

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412 E. Anderson P.O. Box 157  
Brookville, KS 67425-0157  
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Middle/High School  
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Brookville, KS 67425-0097  
(785) 225-6633

Elementary School  
1757 N. Halstead Rd.  
Salina, KS 67401  
(785) 827-8891

Return Service Requested

## An Equal Employment/Educational Opportunity Agency

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check for changes at [www.ellsaline.org](http://www.ellsaline.org)

Aug 3	8:00-1:00 Enrollment	Aug 27	6:00-8:00 Elementary Class Conf.
Aug 3	5:00-8:00 Enrollment	Aug 28	5:00 HS VB Gatorade Scrimmage @ ES
Aug 7	8:00 7th Annual Golf Tournament	Aug 28	6:00 HS FB Gatorade Scrimmage @ ES
Aug 10	7:00 BOE Mtg. @ DO	Aug 29	8:00-4:00 HS Band Car Wash @ Ace Hardware
Aug 12	TEACHERS START		
Aug 13	MS/HS Athletic Parent/Student Mtg.	Aug 31	9:00 MS/HS Cheerleading Clinic @ KWU
Aug 16	Outdoor Learning Center Work Day @ ESE	Sept 1	4:00 HS VB @ Goessel
Aug 17	Fall Sports Practice Begins	Sept 1	ESE After School Begins
Aug 17	Impact Testing	Sept 2	Sophomores/Seniors Jostens
Aug 18	Impact Testing	Sept 3	8:00 MS/HS Individual & Fall Sports Pictures
Aug 18	4:30-6:30 Elementary Back - to - School Night	Sept 3	4:00 HS CC @ Tescott Invitational
Aug 19	Impact Testing	Sept 3	4:30 MS VB @ Sedgwick
<b>Aug 19</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>	Sept 3	6:00 MS FB @ Sedgwick
Aug 24	CPTA Mtg. @ ESE	Sept 4	NO ESE After School
Aug 27	6:00 5th Grade Instrument Show @ ESE	Sept 4	7:00 HS FB @ Inman





## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

What a great summer this has been! If you like hot days we've had them, if you like cool days we've had them and if you like rain we've had some of that. The spring and early summer rains followed by some hot days before harvest transformed what earlier looked to be a very disappointing wheat crop into at least an average crop. Some of the rains were substantial enough that most of the ponds are sitting pretty full right now. As for cool days, we've had a few that were cool enough to allow us to turn off the air conditioning at home. The last few days have been hot enough that a dip in the pool would have felt pretty good. Overall I guess you could say it's been a typical Kansas summer.

Summer here in Ell-Saline USD 307 has also been pretty typical as we've wrapped up one year and are preparing for the next. The custodians (David, Phillip, Zandra, Albert, Sarah) are doing a great job of "sprucing up" all of the buildings. Their efforts show a great sense of pride in the work they are doing and it will present a positive image of the district to everyone who visits us. Brian and Maurice are busy with the yearly servicing and maintaining of our hardware and software and getting the laptops and Chromebooks set up for students as we begin our 1-to-1 initiative at the MS/HS. Another successful summer camp session by several of our elementary school staff and high school student helpers is taking place and drivers' education is practically completed. Here in the office the vast majority of the textbooks and materials that were ordered have arrived. Ann is in the process of closing out last year's budget and is starting to set up next year's. Lynn has updated the numerous handbooks and is preparing the forms and information that is needed for enrollment which is just around the corner. New staff members have been interviewed and hired. People sometimes ask whether the District Office is open during the summer. In many ways summer is the busiest time of the year in this office.

One of the tasks that keep us busy each summer is continually becoming more difficult to do. That is in setting next year's budget and meeting the needs of our students. The needs of our students continue to increase but the funding from the state does not keep up with them. Although we ended fiscal year 2015 with the ability to carry balances in some funds, the operating costs of fuel, utilities, insurance, etc. continue to increase which will make our budget even tighter for this coming school year. Our challenge lies in determining what services, what materials, what professional development opportunities, what utilities, what positions, etc. can we cut back on and still provide what our students need. Balancing our students' needs with maintaining a stable mill levy is always our objective. It is our hope that we will be able to keep our mill levy very close to where it was last year.

Something else that keeps us busy is in preparing for the start of the new school year. Although it's hard to imagine, in just a few short weeks school will be starting. Enrollment at both buildings will take place on Monday, August 3. Fall sports practices start Monday, August 17, and classes begin on Wednesday, August 19--which is less than a month away!! That means that once again there will be many more vehicles with young drivers on the road in the morning and afternoon. I encourage everyone to be attentive and exercise caution as they are on their travels.

An item that we usually look forward to in the fall is that of receiving from the state the official results of the previous year's state assessments. Unlike from the 2013-2014 school year when, because of technology issues that were encountered by districts across the state and the Kansas State Board of Education voting to not release any results, we will receive results from last year's assessments. It is anticipated that those results will be available early this fall. It will be exciting to all of us to again be able to see how our students have done. Besides being able to see student scores, though, there are other reasons why it is beneficial for us to take the assessments. First, the students have the opportunity to become more familiar with the type of questions and the technology enhanced features. Second, the teachers have the opportunity to see how well our teaching of the new standards matches the way in which the students are assessed. We are confident that when we receive the results they will verify the quality education your students are receiving.

It is hard to imagine that we are already rolling into a new school year! Time goes by very quickly. Each year confirms to me that Ell-Saline USD 307 is a district where students truly do receive a quality education. When people ask where I work, I'm proud to tell them that I work for the Ell-Saline School District. I am thankful that again this year I have the opportunity to work with everyone in the education of our students. Stop by or give me a call so we can talk about the good things going on in your district.

# ELL-SALINE ELEMENTARY 2015 - 2016 SUPPLY LIST

## KINDERGARTEN

Book Bag large enough for library books	One
Plastic supply box	One
Folder with pockets & 3 prongs	Two
No. 2 Pencils	Twelve
Crayons	Two boxes of 24
Markers-classic colors	One box of 8-10
Hand-held pink eraser	One
Scissors - child size	One pair
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue sticks	Eight
Kleenex	Two boxes
Earbuds	One pair
P.E. shoes	One pair
Snacks more info from teacher	TBD

## FIRST GRADE

Book Bag large enough for library books	w/name
Plastic supply box	One
Folder with pockets	One
No. 2 Pencils	Twelve
Thin Markers	Box of 8 or 10
Crayons	Box of 24
Dry eraser markers	Two
Highlighters-1 orange & 1 yellow	Two
Eraser, pink or green	One
Scissors - child size	One pair
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue sticks	Four
Watercolors	One
Top Load Sheet Protectors	1 pkg/50
Kleenex	Two boxes
P.E. shoes	One pair

## SECOND GRADE

Plastic supply box	One
Writing Composition Notebook	One
No. 2 Pencils	Twelve
Crayons	Box of 24
Black dry eraser markers	Four
Markers	One box of 8-10
Scissors - child size	One pair
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue sticks	Two
Watercolors	One
1 1/2" 3 ring notebook	One
Kleenex	200 Count box
P.E. shoes	One pair
Pocket folders	Two
Yellow highlighter	One
Earbuds or earphones	One

## THIRD GRADE

Supply Box	One
Notebook paper, loose wide rule	100 count pkg
Folders with pockets	Five
No. Two Pencils (no mechanical)	24
Crayons	Box of 24
Black Dry Eraser Marker - wide tip	Two
Eraser, pink or green	Three
Scissors	One
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue Stick	Six
Ruler	One
Highlighters	Two
Kleenex	200 count box
Earbuds	One pair
P.E. shoes	One pair

## FOURTH GRADE

Supply Box	One
Notebook (non spiral)	Two
Folder with pockets	Three
No. 2 Pencils (no mechanical)	Four
Pens - black and red	One each
Crayons	Box of 24
Colored Pencils	8 Pack
Eraser, pink or green	One
Scissors	One
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Ruler	One
Watercolors	One
Calculator	One small
Protractor	One
Kleenex	200 count
Earbuds	One pair
P.E. Shoes	One pair

## FIFTH GRADE

Plastic Three-Ring Binder - 1 1/2 inch	One
Plastic Three-Ring Binder - 2 inch	One
Notebook	One
Notebook Paper, loose wide rule	Three pkg
Page protectors for Three-Ring Binder	1 pkg/50
Folders with pockets for Three-Ring Binder	Six
Pencil Bag	One
No. Two Pencils	Twelve
Crayons	Box of 24
Colored Pencils	8 Pack
Dry Erase Marker	Eight
Highlighters	Two
Eraser, large	One
Scissors	One
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue Stick	Four
Watercolors	One
Kleenex	200 count box
Earbuds	One pair
P.E. Shoes	One pair

## SIXTH GRADE

Plastic Three-Ring Binder - 1 1/2 inch	Two
Folders with pockets for Three-Ring Binder	Two
Notebook Paper, loose wide rule	Three pkg
Folders with pockets & clasps	Four
Pencil Bag or Box	One
No. Two Pencils	Eight
Crayons	Box of 24
Colored Pencils	8 Pack
Dry Erase Markers	Eight
Dry Erase Board Eraser	One
Highlighters	Two
Markers - thin	8 Pack
Eraser, large	Two
Scissors	One
White Liquid Glue	One 4 oz bottle
Glue Stick	One
Watercolors	One
Kleenex	200 count box
Earbuds	One pair
P.E. Shoes	One pair

**Please - NO Roseart Watercolors, Glue or Crayons**

**Please label all supplies with the student's name.**