

KIOWA COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL & MULTI YEAR MARCUS MITCHELL

**PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL
FUTURES**

August/2019



ABOUT THE CAREER SPECIALIST

SUCCESS

SEE YOUR GOAL

UNDERSTAND THE
OBSTACLES

CLEAR MIND OF SELF DOUBT

CREATE A POSITIVE MENTAL
PICTURE

EMBRACE THE CHALLENGE

STAY ON TRACK

SHOW THE WORLD YOU CAN



I am thrilled to begin my fourth year as the JAG-K Specialist at Kiowa County. I have a passion for building relationships with others through teaching and coaching. It is an honor and a privilege to be employed by a company that focuses on changing lives and preparing students for the real world. Even though I am not employed by the Kiowa County School

District, I like the fact that they support my JAG-K committee are: Brian Deterding (Junior High Principal and 21st Century Learning Academy Principal), Travis Powell (High School Principal and Activities Director), Melanie Deterding (High School Counselor), Venus Covey (Junior High Resource Teacher), Ellen Waters (High School Resource Teacher), and Marshall Ballard (High School English

and Speech Teacher).

I enjoy staying active, spending time with my family, and serving others. I am a HUGE Texas Longhorns and Dallas Cowboys' fan, and I'll be shocked if they don't win the championship in their respective leagues. I am married to the best woman God placed on this earth Cherish Mitchell (8 years) and we have five children: Myles (8), Mya (6), Makayla (2), Madison (2), Maleah (1 month).

WHAT IS JAG-K?

JAG-K is an in-school, elective class that is taught by a JAG-K Career Specialist. The Career Specialist teaches JAG-K students employability skills, career and leadership development skills and helps with academic remediation. All JAG-K students are also required to serve at least 10 hours of community service each year (this accomplished through weekly recycling and working occasional concession stands).

SUCCESS STORY



Kiowa County's JAG-K success story for the month of August are seniors Josie Lang, Kade Trummel, and Sabrina Thomas. They have been part of the JAG-K program every year since it came to Kiowa County in 2014. It has been awesome watching them grow for the last 6 years. They are applying skills they have gained in JAG-K class to the real world.

When asked, "Why is JAG-K important to me?" They had the following response:

"JAG-K is important to me because the class prepares me for life after high school. We learn things in class that we can apply

to our life."-Josie Lang

"JAG-K has helped not be as shy and improved my confidence level"-Kade Trummel

"It has given me a family that I never could have imagined."-Sabrina Thomas

They will continue to do great things after they graduate this Spring and will be an incredible asset to any college or university they decide to attend. The sky is the limit for them!

JAG-K SUMMER ACTIVITIES

We had the privilege to run an actual business this Summer. Kiowa County JAG-K was in charge of the concession stand for Greensburg Recreation Department. Students grilled hot dogs, recorded inventory, counted change back to customers, and displayed excellent customer service skills. The total profit for running the concession was \$600.00. In addition to working the concession stand, students were involved Summer athletics, and more than half of the students on my roster participated in the Youth for Christ church camp that took place in Colorado.

DATA

Follow-up Report. During the 12-month Follow-up, Specialists track contact with graduates, non-graduates, employers and educational institutions. Graduates and non-graduates are contacted at least monthly to determine their status and what additional services would be helpful for job placement, postsecondary enrollment or military service.

Number of Students on Fall Roster: 37

Number of Students in Follow-up: 6

Percent Contacted: 100%

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 27, 2019 Open House

September 3, 2019: Dodge City Community College will be a guest speaker in class

September 26, 2019: Career Association Officer Elections

October 28, 2019: Initiation and Installation Ceremony (formerly known as Family and Friends Night)

October 29, 2019: Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 30, 2019: Leadership Development Conference at Wichita State University

November 5, 2019: ESSDACK Career and Post-Secondary Expo in Hutchinson, KS