

THE MAVERICK MAYHEM

A BLAST FROM THE PAST

BY IVA BROWN

On the 19th of September, the city of Greensburg unveiled the time capsule from the year 2000. The capsule was originally placed inside the Big Well's walls back in the day, and it took around four hours to dig it out. When unloaded, the contents were unveiled for the community. A picture of the graduating class of Greensburg High School, a cheerleader's uniform with the GHS Ranger's red and royal blue colors, a paper with all of the popular games during that time, as well as a copy of the Kiowa County Signal, and a paper that showed the cost of school lunches were among some of the treasures inside.

The current events class and the publications team worked together and made a "2025 Year in Review" pamphlet. Students highlighted the major events in 2025, like the cost of living, places to eat in Greensburg, the change from the Rangers to the Mavericks, and the sports that we play for the school. They also wrote about the 2007 Greensburg tornado and highlighted school achievements as well as programs like JAG, FFA, and forensics. The combined current events and publications group hopes that their contributions will help the future generations understand what life in 2025 was like.

Since the 2000s, we have gone through many changes—like the destruction of the Greensburg tornado, the COVID pandemic and the advancements of technology. For example, we have gone from CDs to streaming services, from the Nokia with limited technology to iPhones.

The Kiowa County School district also donated the KC on the lettermans jacket and a bandana with the KC Mavericks logo. It will be interesting to see in 25 years if the logo and mascot look the same or if there will be changes. Only time will tell.



Publications and current events students pose with CBS Reporter Ian Lee.



Above:
Students look
at the time
capsule
treasures.

Bottom:
Heather Bailey,
Convention and
Tourism/Big
Well Museum
Director,
speaking at the
time capsule
unveiling.



XC IS OFF AND RUNNING

RUNNERS ARE PUTTING IN THE WORK AND REAPING THE REWARDS

BY ELIJAH COOPER

MAKE SOME NOISE

BY GENTRY BALLARD

SERVING UP A NEW SEASON

VOLLEYBALL TEAM LOOKING TO FINISH TOP IN THE LEAGUE

BY GENTRY BALLARD

Top: Khloe
Gilkey serving
the ball.

Bottom:
Gentry Ballard
spiking the ball
over the net.

Current Record: 9-3

9/4 vs Minneola

A Team (W):
KC 25 Min 22
KC 25 Min 16

9/11 vs Hodgman

A Team (L):
KC 24 HC 26
KC 27 HC 25
KC 10 HC 10

9/13 A team Triangular

Stafford (L): 23-25, 22-25
Sacred Heart (W) 25-8, 25-11
Central Plains (L) 11-25, 15-25

9/15 vs Ashland

A Team (W):KC 25 Ash 10
KC 21 Ash 25
KC 25 Ash 21

9/18 vs Ingalls

A Team (W):
KC 25 Ing 21`
KC 25 Ing 19

9/22 Pawnee Heights

A Team (W):
KC 25 PH 9
KC 18 PH 25
KC 25 PH 14

9/22 vs South Gray

A team (W):
KC 12 SG 25
KC 25 SG 18
KC 25 SG 23

9/25 vs Spearville

A Team (W):
KC 25 Sp 17
KC 17 Sp 25
KC 25 Sp 18

Varsity hurdles between plays
congratulating each other.

SMALL AND MIGHTY

MAVS FACE CHALLENGES THROUGHOUT THE SEASON

BY SEBASTIAN FAVELA

The JH Mavericks football team is kicking off the season with a good start. This year they have 16 athletes in football, with the addition of 10 new 7th graders. They won their first game of the season at Minneola, demolishing the Wildcats. The Mavericks got beaten by Hodgeman County, despite their best efforts. The Mavs rebounded with a victory in their next game against Ingalls. However, they lost their fourth game against Spearville.

Despite the 2-2 record, the coaches are having a lot of fun working with all the players. KCJH Head Football Coach Marcus Mitchell stated, "Despite being a smaller team, I'm extremely excited to have the 7th graders learn from the 8th graders," Though the team has already faced setbacks and injuries, rest assured the coaches and players are ready to conquer the challenges. Coach Mitchell says "Our biggest challenges are the size of the players and lack of returners of kids who played last year, but overall, I think we are going to be okay."

MAVERICK SCOREBOARD



AROUND THE SCHOOL

NEW FACULTY FACES

BY STAFF

Joining the Kiowa County Junior High faculty team are two new teachers. Ryan Ochoa is the new pre-K - 7th grade physical education teacher. Ochoa is a recent graduate of Fort Hays State University. Ochoa originally hails from Great Bend where he played football in high school. After graduating from GBHS, he attended Barton County Community College and was the sports trainer for the men's soccer team. Outside of school, Ochoa enjoys playing video games, watching shows, and spending time with his family.

Greensburg native Angela (Smith) Walters joined the faculty in August as the junior high English/Language Arts and Publications teacher. Last year she was the assistant forensics coach to the KCHS forensics team, which was the 2025 KSHSAA 1A State Runner-Up. Walters is an alumni of Greensburg High School and Kansas University (Lawrence). "I've enjoyed returning home and being part of our outstanding school and community," stated Walters. When she is not in school, Walters likes to work out, attend her kids' activities, and volunteer on the Greensburg Convention and Tourism Board.

WE LOVE KIOWA COUNTY

KCJH students put on their gloves and hit the city of Greensburg for its annual cleanup project. Students pick up trash and recycling across the city. This annual event ensures the city shines for its homecoming game.

Junior high students cleaning up the town while having fun.

KEEPIN' UP WITH KIOWA COUNTY

ALL THE LATEST HAPPENINGS IN GREENSBURG, HAVILAND, & MULLINVILLE

PERK UP WITH FALL FLAVORS

FUN FACTS

WITH THE 8TH GRADERS

Article by
Sebastian Favela

SHELBY FULTON

SEBASTIAN FAVELA-CLAYTON

Photo by Sebastian Favela

Elizabeth is striking a pose for the camera while looking striking.

Q: When is your birthday?

A: June 26th

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: I like to play sports.

Q: How long have you gone to Kiowa County?

A: I've gone to Kiowa County for 10 years, counting two years of preschool.

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: It's a hamburger helper.

Q: What is your favorite book?

A: It is *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt. It is a fantastic book!

Q: What do you think is one interesting thing about you?

A: I'm in the top 10 of 95,165 12u girls wrestling in the state!



Photo by Sydeny Taylor

Sebastian looking stunning at a cross country meet.

Q: When is your birthday?

A: October 31st

Q: How long have you gone to Kiowa County?

A: I have I have been going to Kiowa County for 9 years.

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: Some of my hobbies are running, crocheting, and hanging out.

Q: What are your favorite foods?

A: I love chinese food, it's so good.

Q: What is your favorite color?

A: My favorite color is purple.

Q: What is your favorite video game?

A: I love to play Grow a Garden on Roblox.

Q: Finally, what do you think is one interesting thing about you?

A: I am a very talented runner.

AS FOR AIRS

BY Gentry Ballard

Sebastian Favela-Clayton went to a tri-state cross country meet on November 9th this month and got 5th place with a time of 14:59 in a 4k. To go to the national cross country meet he had to get top twenty so he went to nationals. On November 22nd he ran at Knoxville Tennessee and got blank place with a time of blank in a 4k. He did amazing and represented Kiowa County very well.

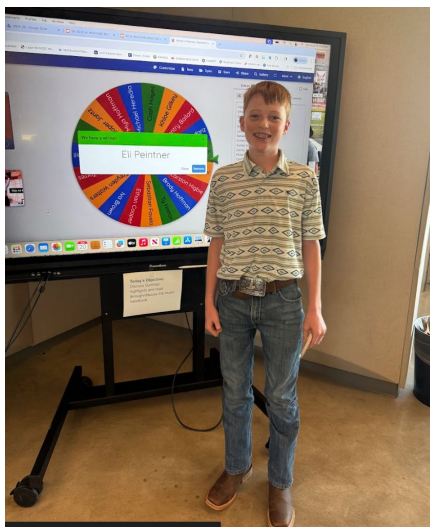


Photo by Angela Walters

OCTOBER CALENDAR

BY SEBASTIAN FAVELA

Calendar Events for October 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1 K-5 Pumpkin Patch 8:00am: KCHS WorkKeys Testing	2 4:00pm: KCJH/KCHS CC @ Ness City 4:00pm: KCJH VB v. Satanta 6:30pm: KCJH FB v. Satanta	3 2:30pm: Classes Dismissed 7:00pm: KCHS FB @ Udall	4 9:00am: KCHS TN @ Coaches Classic
5	6 Apply Kansas 5:00pm: KCJH VB Triangular @ Minneola 6:15pm: Little Pepsters Practice 6:30pm: KCHS JV FB vs. Satanta	7 KCHD Immunization Clinic KCHS VB Senior Night 1:00pm: KCHS JV TN @ Ashland 5:00pm: KCHS VB @ Kiowa County Quad	8 11:30am: SPIAA League Meeting 1:30pm: College Planning Conference 6:15pm: Little Pepsters Practice	9 3:00pm: KCJH/KCHS CC @ Cheney 4:00pm: KCJH VB v. South Central 6:15pm: Little Pepsters Practice 6:30pm: KCJH FB v. South Central	10 KSHSAA 1A Regional Tennis Little Pepsters Performance K-5 Art 2:10pm: Pep Assembly 2:30pm: Classes Dismissed 7:00pm: KCHS vs. Oxford	11 KSHSAA 1A Regional Tennis 9:00am: SPIAA HS League VB Tournament
12 KSHSAA VB Seeding	13 Inter-State Studios Re-Takes 8:00pm: USD 422 Board Meeting	14 KCHS VB @ Bucklin Triangular	15 8:00am: KCHS Pre-ACT Testing 10:00am: KSHSAA FB Schedule Meeting @ Salina	16 4:00pm: KCJH/KCHS SPIAA CC @ Meade 4:00pm: KCJH VB @ Meade 6:30pm: KCJH FB @ Meade	17 KSHSAA State TN End of 1st 9-weeks 2:30pm: Classes Dismissed	18 KSHSAA State TN ACT Test Date 9:00am: SPIAA JH League VB Tournament 6:00pm: HS FB @ Satanta
19	20 KSHSAA 1A Regional VB 6:30pm: KCHS JV FB @ Meade	21 KSHSAA 1A Regional VB 7:00pm: 3rd-5th Grade Vocal Concert	22 1st Day of JH BB Practice JAG Regional Leadership Development Conference 9:00am: SPIAA Vocal Clinic @ Minneola	23 8:00am: KCHS PSAT Testing 1:15pm: KSHSAA Regional Administrator Meeting	24 Teacher Inservice - No Classes JAG Fall Tailgate 8:00am: DLT Meeting 6:45pm: KCHS Fall Sports Recognition - CC/FB/TN 7:00pm: KCHS FB vs. Skyline	25 KSHSAA 1A Regional CC KSHSAA 1A Sub-State VB
26 NO PreK-12 CLASSES 12:30pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00pm: KCHS Scholars Bowl @ Satanta	27	28 6:30pm: JAG I & I Ceremony 8:00pm: USD 422 Board Meeting	29 KCHD Hearing and Vision Rechecks ESSDACK Career Fair - Hutchinson	30 KSHSAA 1A State VB Tournament KCHS FB - Bracket Play	31 NO SCHOOL KSHSAA 1A State VB Tournament Halloween	

(Photo from usd422.org web page)

To find upcoming events, information and more, go to usd422.org

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Something to Cheer About!





HALLOWEEN



C F B R N H C T I W F E I B M O Z Z C S
V M O N S T E R T O M B S T O N E A P U
V A M P I R E L Y L Y X T A E R T F N M
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WORD LIST

BAT
BLACK
BOO
BROOMSTICK
CANDY
CAT
CAULDRON
CHOCOLATE

COSTUME
CREEPY
DOORBELL
FRIGHT
GHOST
GRAVEYARD
HALLOWEEN
HAUNTED

JACK O LANTERN
MONSTER
OCTOBER
PUMPKIN
SCARY
SKELETON
SPIDER

SPOOKY
TOMBSTONE
TREAT
TRICK
VAMPIRE
WITCH
ZOMBIE

Homemade
GIFTS MADE EASY

Spirit Week

