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Renaissance Award Assembly

Students at Rock Creek High School witnessed many awards being given at the Renaissance Award Assembly held September 17, 2010. Students were honored for accomplishments from spring of 2010. Slide shows were shown listing the names of community sponsors and the names of all students receiving black, silver, and white cards. In addition, the following awards were given for particular accomplishments:

Perfect Attendance: *Dillon Johnston, Logan Miner, Shannon Oakley, Sheridan Reves, Tyler Roark, Tiffany Stewart, Randall Thomas, and Karl Thompson*

4.0 GPA: *Sarah Althenhofen, Shannon Caffrey, Kinzi Collins, Shaun Eborn, Rachel Forrester, Wyatt Fouts, Jacy Johnston, Bailee Larson, Lyla Lenauer, Ariel Petty, Chase Ridder, Shilo Schaake, Hayden Schlochtermeyer, Austin Sellers, McKenzie Umscheid, Alexis Wilson, Larissa Eshelman, Macy Hawkins, Chance Maginness, Sarah Marek, Jackson Meyer, BrookeLynn Minihan, Kelsey Parker, Kelsey Plummer, Morgan Schwinn, Ben Berard, Kerri Briggs, Crystal Chitwood, Kelsey Cook, Cheyenne Deyo, Tyler Dillon, Codi Ebert, Kynedee Hodges, Lauren Leupold, Dylan Meyer, Jacob Miller, Taylor Newman, Shannon Oakley, Josh Roberts, Hanna Ruder, J.T. Weers, Samuel Wilcox, Katie Hodges, Thomas McAnerney, Logan Miner, Ben Peterson, Jessi Snapp, Karl Thompson, Mandi Blenn, Travis Briggs, Lucas Commerford, Colten Smith, Macy Umscheid, and Morgan Umscheid*

High 5s (raising GPA .5 or more): *Shaun Eborn, Ellie Leonard, Tristan Poe, Jonathan Anel, Elizabeth Stanley, Kaitlyn Taylor, Aidan Silva, Kelsie Hudson, Spencer Bowers, Jory Harshbarger, Derick Dunaway, Amanda Gross, Ruben Martinez, Keegan Mocabee, Brianna Biscardi, Kelsey Quinn, Austin Umscheid, Timothy Pushee, Lucas McIntyre, Bryce VanPelt, Colby Hodges, Paige Nickell, Shane Adams, Daulton Jenkins, Colton Leikam, Tyler Roark, Tevon Tebbutt, Josh Rieck, and Jeremiah Perry*

Stretch (raising GPA the most): *Shaun Eborn, Austin Umscheid, Daulton Jenkins, Tyler Roark, and Jeremiah Perry*

Parking Passes for September and October: *Lucas Commerford and Aaron Kuecker*

Junior Exit Project Information

The Rock Creek High School Exit Project Committee will soon be preparing juniors for their exit project graduation requirements. A presentation will be given to the juniors November 4 to inform them about exit project requirements and deadlines. Junior class parents will have a choice of two meetings to attend, November 8 or November 15 at 7 p.m. in Room 114. This information will help juniors complete the requirements for their first deadline – choosing a mentor and completing an exit project proposal form. Exit project proposals are due January 19, 2011. Parents please plan to attend one of these meetings to find out what your student will be required to do for this project.

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time
9/24	RC Homecoming Parade in St. George HSFB vs St. Marys Homecoming Dance	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:30 p.m. – 12 a.m.
9/25	HSVB Tournament @ Wamego HSVB JV Tournament @ Wabaunsee HSCC/JHCC @ Wabaunsee	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
9/27	JHVB vs Wamego/Marysville	4:00 p.m.
9/28	HSVB vs Silver Lake HSFB JV @ St. Marys	5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
9/29	NHS Induction	7:00 p.m.
9/30	JHVB @ Mill Creek HSCC @ Council Grove Rock Creek JHCC Invitational JHFB @ Mill Creek	4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
10/1	HSFB @ Silver Lake	7:00 p.m.
10/2	Debate @ Leavenworth Rock Creek Debate Invitational HSVB JV @ Jeff West	All Day 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.
10/4	JHVB @ Clay Center HSFB JV vs Silver Lake	4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
10/5	HSVB @ Wabaunsee JHFB Clay Center	5:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.
10/7	Novice Debate @ Salina Central	TBD
10/8	HSFB Rossville	7:00 p.m.
10/9	Debate @ Silver Lake JHVB MEL Tournament @ St. Marys HSVB Rock Creek JV Tournament HSVB @ Wabaunsee JV Quad HSCC/JHCC @ Riley County	TBD 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:40 a.m.
10/11	No School PK-12 Inservice HSFB JV @ Rossville	8:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
10/12	JHFB Riley County HSVB Rossville, Senior Night	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
10/13	PSAT Test Board of Education Meeting	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
10/14	HSCC MEL @ Riley County	4:00 p.m.
10/15	HSFB @ Marysville	7:00 p.m.
10/16	HSVB Tournament @ Hillsboro	9:00 a.m.
10/18	HSFB JV Marysville	6:00 p.m.
10/19	HSVB @ Riley County	5:00 p.m.
10/22	HSFB @ Nemaha Valley	7:00 p.m.
10/23	HSCC Regionals HSVB Sub-State ACT Test	TBD TBD 8:00 a.m.
10/25	HSFB JV Nemaha Valley	5:30 p.m.
10/26	JHGB @ Riley County	5:30 p.m.
10/27	P/T Conference 7-12 JH/HS Choir Concert	4:00-8:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
10/28	JHGB, JGWR Sports Pictures HSFB Riley County, Senior Night	2:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
10/29	No School 7-12 HSVB State	TBD
10/30	HSCC State HSVB State	TBD TBD

2010 Homecoming

September 24, 2010

Theme: Boys of Fall

Royalty Crowning: Halftime of St. Marys game

2009-2010 Forensics

Members of the Rock Creek Forensics Team traveled to Omaha, Nebraska, to compete in the National Catholic Forensics Tournament, held on May 28 and 29. Even though the contest is sponsored by the Catholic church, non-Catholic schools participate as well.

Rock Creek was represented by seven students. *Sam Cott* and *Torrey Peterson* competed in Duo Interpretation (duet acting). *Adara Leonard* and *T.J. Roberts* competed in OIL (oral interpretation of literature, or a combination of prose poetry). *Nolan Fike* was in Dramatic Interpretation (solo acting, either serious or humorous). *Mandi Blenn* competed in Extemporaneous Speaking. *Dylan Meyer* was in Oratory (either informative or persuasive speaking).

“With over 500 schools participating, most students are happy to make it to the second day,” said Coach Keith Miller. *T.J. Roberts* did make it to the second day for the Mustangs. “We were hoping he would do better, but he did make quarter-finals. Being in the top 24 in the nation is still pretty good,” said Coach Miller.

In-House Training

The In-House Training Class completes assignments for the school or community groups. Typical jobs from the school include this newsletter, athletic and other activity programs, banners, name badges, forms, and web sites. The class can also create brochures, handbooks, and many other types of documents. If your group or office needs any of the services In-House Training can complete, please e-mail or call the sponsor, Pat Booth at boothp@rockcreekschools.org or 785.494.8591.

Duck Soup

The Rock Creek softball team will be hosting the fourth annual Duck Soup tournament on Saturday, October 9, at the St. George field. Tickets will be available for purchase toward some great raffle prizes. If anyone is interested in putting together a team for the event, please e-mail or call Jeri Brummett at brummetj@rockcreekschools.org or 785.494.8591.

Battle of the Bands

The Rock Creek band will once again host a Battle of the Bands for bands whose members are 25 and under. It will be held Saturday, November 20. If you know of any bands that might be interested, pass on this information and contact Scott Bradley at bradleys@rockcreekschools.org or 785.494.8591

The Rock Spotlight



ROCK CREEK STATE TRACK

Front Row (left to right): *Adam Kibodeaux, Spencer Klocke, Harrison Newman*

Middle Row (left to right): *Clayton Frakes, Brady Quinn, Josh Gee, Kyron Case, Sam Wilson*

Back Row (left to right): *Coach Dick Dugan, D.J. Denzien, Coach Terry Schmitz, Josh Roberts, Nelson Kawano, Michael Parker, Lizz Herrs, Coach Amy Blackwood, Head Coach Mike Zabel*

HIGH SCHOOL RENAISSANCE CARD HOLDERS

Seniors:

*Shelby Adams
Joseph Calmes
JohnDerek Garetson
T.J. Minihan
Colten Smith*

*Ashley Altenhofen
Lucas Commerford
Jackie Gonzalez
Linda Overkamp
Brenda Stevenson*

*Skylar Beam
Nick Cooper
Katie Good
Angie Patrick
Macy Umscheid*

*Mandi Blenn
D.J. Denzien
Luke Goodenow
Sheridan Reves
Morgan Umscheid*

*Travis Briggs
Amy Eshelman
Rachel Lewman
Alyssa Reeves
Michael Wilson*

*Aleksey Brunko
John Frank
Chase Minihan
Chelsea Renner*

Juniors:

*Julie Amick
Bailey Elliott
Shaunee Hulbert
Josh Lohse
Ben Peterson
Jessi Snapp
Katie Zimmerman*

*Levi Anderson
Emily Forge
Dillon Johnston
Thomas McAnerney
Kristofer Roark
Josh Srna*

*Kiley Brown
Lane Frazier
Aaron Kuecker
Ashley McDaris
Cody Roche
Devin Stamm*

*Kyron Case
Abby Glendening
Caitlin Leiker
Logan Miner
Zac Saueressig
Trevor Sutton*

*Caitline' Christenson
Lizz Herrs
Haley Lenauer
Devin Muir
Shane Schaae
Elke Thompson*

*K.J. Dobbins
Katie Hodges
Cody Liming
Michael Parker
Adam Schmitz
Karl Thompson*

Sophomores:

*Shane Adams
Ben Commerford
Rachel Frank
Chelsea Lake
Jacob Miller
Sheldon Rogge
J.T. Weers*

*Ben Berard
Kelsey Cook
Jimmie Goodmiller
Colton Leikam
Paige Nickell
Hanna Ruder*

*Kerri Briggs
Cheyenne Deyo
Kynedee Hodges
Lauren Leupold
Sara Nider
Megan Srna*

*Kennedy Brown
Tyler Dillon
Daulton Jenkins
Jared Lovin
Shannon Oakley
Amber Sutczak*

*Shiann Bruce
Codi Ebert
Anna Jilka
Brandon Lutgen
Lauren Overkamp
Randall Thomas*

*Crystal Chitwood
Jordan Ebert
Josh Jones
Dylan Meyer
Zac Rieck
Annette Trieb*

Freshmen:

*Tyler Ahring
Larissa Eshelman
Courtney Hoover
Jacob Milham
Ryan Schneider
Justin Ward*

*Ashten Anderson
Heather Gardner
Kelsie Hudson
Brooke Minihan
Morgan Schwinn
Ryan Zimmerman*

*Travis Blenn
Heather Goodenow
Kristopher Jenkins
Kasey Minihan
Meagan Smith*

*Spencer Bowers
Amanda Gross
Chance Maginness
Nigel Neel
Eric Stadel*

*Clarissa Childress
Macy Hawkins
Sarah Marek
Kelsey Parker
John Sullivan*

*Clint Dille
William Hen
Jackson Meyer
Kelsey Plummer
Austin Umscheid*

Counselor's Notes

Deadline:	Description:
	Seniors planning to attend a technical/community college may complete the Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship Exam. Each award is \$500. See Mr. Sullivan or visit www.kansasregents.org .
	Female students ages 14-18 (as of 2/1/11) are eligible to participate in the 2010 Miss Kansas Teen USA Pageant. Cash prizes and scholarships available. See Mr. Sullivan for registration forms or visit www.misskansasusa.com .
9/26/10	Learn about Wichita State University by attending a supper and informational session at Valentino's in Manhattan from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, September 26. RSVP and details available at www.wichita.edu/admissions or call 1-800-362-2594.
10/2/10	7 th /8 th grade girls interested in science/engineering and art/music/dance may want to participate in an upcoming workshop at KSU on 10/02/10. See Mr. Sullivan for more information and registration details.
10/4/10	Juniors may be interested in attending the annual KSU "Just for Juniors" event. The program will encompass topics ranging from scholarships to time management. It will be offered in Manhattan on October 4, and Topeka on November 1. Registration details located at www.k-state.com/JustforJuniors .
10/9/10	Juniors and seniors interest in Highland Community College may attend Junior/Senior Day. There will be campus tours and an awards/activity fair. Information about admissions, financial aid, and student life will be available. Visit www.highlandcc.edu/JrSrDay to register.
10/15/10	7 th /8 th grade students are eligible to compete in the 2010 Learning Quest Back to School Essay Contest. Prizes range in value from \$500-\$1,000. Visit learningquest.com/essay .
10/31/10	2010 Coca-Cola Scholarships, 250 awards totaling \$3 million; apply at www.coca-colascholars.org
11/1/2010	Seniors are eligible to participate in the 2010 FIRE "Freedom in Academia" essay contest. Awards range in value from \$1,000 - \$4,000. See Mr. Sullivan for more information or visit www.thefire.org/contests
12/1/10	2010 Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship, awards range in value from \$500-\$60,000. Apply at www.elks.org/enf/scholars .
12/13/10	Seniors planning to attend KSU may be interested in applying for the 2010 KSU Civic Leadership Scholarships. Visit www.k-state.edu/nss/scholarships . Award amount is \$2,000-\$4,000.
12/15/10	2010 AXA Achievement Scholarships, \$10,000 and \$25,000 awards available. To learn more and download application, visit www.axa-achievement.com .
1/8/11	Students in grades 9-12 are eligible to participate in the 2011 Profile in Courage Essay Contest. Awards range in value from \$500-\$10,000. Visit www.jfklibrary.org for registration information/details.

Junior High Cheerleaders

The 2010-2011 junior high cheerleaders have been busy since early summer. The girls actually started practicing in April, with a three-day camp held at Rock Creek in June. They participated in the Westy BBQ Parade and also helped hand out watermelon at the St. George Back-to-School night. They spent a full day at a Spirit Spreader held at Topeka Seaman. Since sporting events have started, the girls have made locker signs for all of the students participating in volleyball, football, and cross country and have cheered on our junior high football team. The girls look forward to performing their halftime routine at an upcoming home game and they hope to see you there!



2010-2011 squad includes (back row) Kinzi Collins, Alexis Engelken, Abbie Plummer; (front row) McKenzie Umscheid, Jacy Johnston, Hayden Schlochtermeier, and Shannon Caffrey.