

FREE STATE FIREBIRDS UPDATE

Let's Go State!




**UPDATES FROM THE
FIREBIRDS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT!**

2021 FALL SPORTS

Schedules, Tickets, and More!

All Things Fall Sports!



**COMMUNICATION FROM THE FREE STATE
FIREBIRDS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

For information regarding the Firebird Athletic Department,
please visit the Free State Athletics website
(www.freestateathletics.com).

To receive alerts regarding a specific team,
click on "Sign Up for Alerts" in the upper-right corner
of the home page.

For the most up-to-date schedule for a specific team,
please click on the season in the dark green banner at the top of
the screen (i.e., Fall), select the team (i.e., Varsity Volleyball),
hover over the "More" tab (far right on the screen), and select
the schedule (i.e., 2021 Lady Firebirds Volleyball Schedule).

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BOYS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Olathe East (10), St. James Academy (15),
Blue Springs South (19), Lawrence Free State (20)

Freshman Grant Lichauer - 5th Place

Freshman Chase Stone - 8th Place



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Olathe East (10), St. James Academy (15),
Blue Springs South (19), Lawrence Free State (20)

Sophomore Ryan Whittlesey - 4th Place

Sophomore Jacob Loos - 5th Place

Sophomore Blake Wohler - 6th Place

Sophomore Jake Hedges - 7th Place

Sophomore Ethan Mason - 8th Place



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Olathe East (10), St. James Academy (15),
Blue Springs South (19), Lawrence Free State (20)

Junior Carson Marsh - 5th Place

Senior Ben Shryock - 1st Place

Senior Jack Keathley-Helms - 5th Place



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Lawrence Free State (11), St. James Academy (12), Olathe East (13)

Freshman Greta Barnett - 5th Place

Freshman Brylee Burns - 6th Place

Freshman Cayman Barnes - 8th Place

Sophomore Isabelle Pro - 1st Place

Sophomore Alannah Lohfeld - 10th Place



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Lawrence Free State (11), St. James Academy (12), Olathe East (13)

Junior Olivia Goeser - 1st Place

Junior Ella McCleary - 2nd Place

Junior Annabelle Hurst - 6th Place

Junior Kady Bischmann - 7th Place

Junior Lana Wetzel - 8th Place

Junior Kiwi Kimmel - 9th Place



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY CONGRATULATIONS!

Lawrence Free State (11), St. James Academy (12), Olathe East (13)

Senior Allison Babbitt - 3rd Place

Senior Janice Werth - 4th Place

Senior Ella Marshall - 10th Place



FOOTBALL CONGRATULATIONS!

Lawrence Free State 49

SM Northwest 21



LADY FIREBIRDS GOLF!

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The JV Lady Firebirds Golf Team
on the course at the
Olathe Northwest Invitational at
Heritage Park in Olathe!



Photo Credit: Margann Bennett

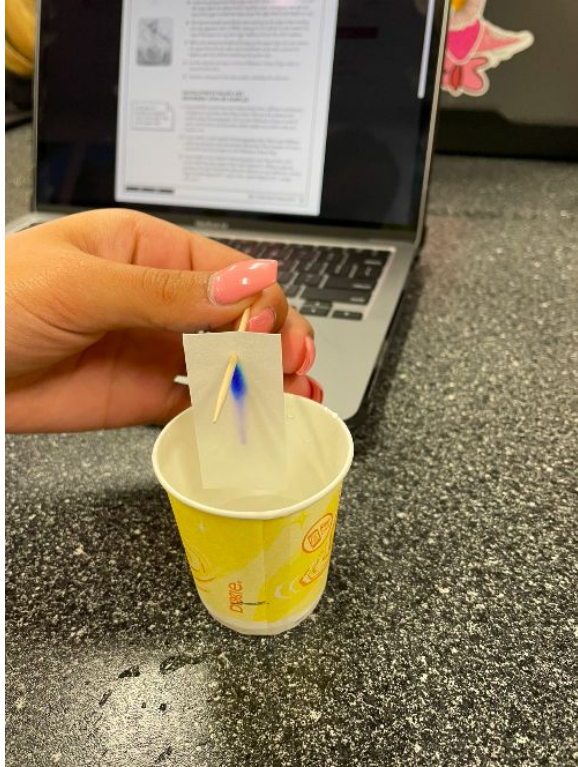
GIRLS TENNIS CONGRATULATIONS!



1st Place at the Olathe Quad
vs. Mill Valley, Olathe East, and
St. James Academy!

FREE STATE FIREBIRDS IN ACTION!

CHROMATOGRAPHY IN MRS. ROSE'S ADVANCED CHEMISTRY CLASS!



SOURCES OF STRENGTH CLUB MEETING

Students preparing for **World
Suicide Prevention Day**
(September 10th)
and upcoming school-wide
prevention campaigns.

Stay tuned, Firebirds -
SoS will be busy working for
you this year!



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS
RE: COVID PROTOCOL

COVID SAFETY PROTOCOL

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- Please do not send students to school if they are sick.
- **Staff & students are required to properly wear a mask unless they are eating or drinking water.**
- Students are asked to arrive no earlier than 7:45am and report directly to their first class.
 - PE class or class in the 600 hallway, enter the Gym entrance.
 - Class in the 200 or 300 hallway, enter the North entrance.
 - Class in the 400 or 500 hallway, enter the East entrance.
- Free meals served to all students at lunch or they may bring their own. Students may also leave campus for their 25-minute lunch. *Meal deliveries are not allowed.*

COVID EXPOSURE PROTOCOL

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When our school receives a report that a student or adult tests positive for COVID-19, we will notify only those affected. Our school nurse works closely with the local health department to conduct contact tracing. They will identify anyone with close contact or at risk of exposure to the respiratory particles of the infectious individual and directly notify them by phone and/or email of the notice to quarantine. If you do not receive direct notification to quarantine, your student is not a close contact or at risk of exposure. Families may find a list of reported COVID-19 cases and Lawrence Public Schools' COVID-19 prevention measures at www.usd497.org/COVID19.

Please also note that the Kansas Legislature passed House Bill 2134 in May, and the Governor signed it into law. This law limits remote learning in public schools. Our teachers will provide homework assignments for students who are absent due to illness or a quarantine order from the health department.

Thank you for monitoring your child for symptoms of illness and keeping them home from school when they are sick. Please notify us if your child will be absent due to illness or exposure, if they are awaiting test results, or if they have tested positive for COVID-19. Working together, we can continue to maintain safe learning environments for all students and staff.

**IN-SCHOOL ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE FOR
FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES!**

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Freshman, Sophomore Academic Help



Welcome back! I hope everyone's year is off to a strong start. If you hit a bump in the road, my job is to support you academically. I would love to help freshman and sophomore students with tasks such as these:

- planning how to catch up on assignments after an absence
- organizing physical and digital materials
- using time efficiently so there is time for school *and* fun
- advocating for oneself with adults in the building
- using effective study strategies to improve test scores
- coping and getting back on track after a disruptive experience.

My office is **416F** (upstairs adjacent to the “long” restroom), and my contact info is below. Let me know if I can help.

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Office: 785-330-1455
Email: klaustin@usd497.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES!

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Rhonda Malcolm | September 10th

Randy Fillmore | September 11th

Logan Pegram | September 11th

Beth Shirley | September 11th



ROSH HASHANAH | SEPTEMBER 06TH – 08TH



Rosh Hashanah , the Jewish new year, is a Fall holiday, taking place at the beginning of the month of Tishrei , which is actually the seventh month of the Jewish year (counting from Nisan in the spring). It is both a time of rejoicing and of serious introspection, a time to celebrate the completion of another year while also taking stock of one's life.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 06TH

 WE WILL BE
CLOSED

LABOR DAY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 07TH

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Homecoming 2021 Spirit Week | Tuesday | Tropical Tuesday

Varsity Girls Tennis at Lawrence Quad
3pm, Lawrence High School Tennis Center

Varsity Volleyball at Olathe West Dual
6pm, Olathe West

Homecoming 2021 Voll-He-Ball Tournament
7pm, Main Gym

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 08TH

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Homecoming 2021 Spirit Week | Wednesday | Decades Day

Freshmen - 90s, Sophomores - 80s,
Juniors - 00s, Seniors - 70s, Staff - 60s

S.A.L.T. of the Firebirds Meeting
7am, Auditorium

Homecoming 2021 Powder Puff Game
7pm, Firebirds Football Field

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 09TH

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Homecoming 2021 Spirit Week | Thursday | Twin Day

Homecoming 2021 Assembly | Mods 4-7, Firebirds Football Field

Homecoming 2021 Parade | 4pm

Varsity Volleyball vs. Olathe North, SM North
5pm, SM North

Orchestra Trip Meeting/Fun Night
6:30pm, Commons

Varsity Boys Soccer vs. SM South
7pm, SM South Stadium

Homecoming 2021 Fire Fest
7-9pm, Student Parking Lot

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

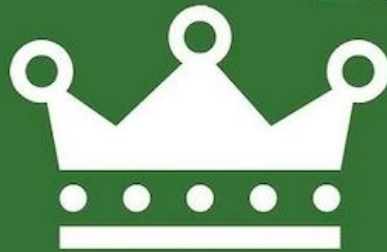
Homecoming 2021 Spirit Week | Friday | Free State Day
World Suicide Prevention Day

Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country at Millard South Invite
3:15pm, Walnut Grove Park

Varsity Football vs. SM South | Homecoming 2021
7pm, Firebirds Football Stadium
Purchase Tickets [Here](#)

HOME**COMING** 2021
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Homecoming Court 2021



*Elijah Ditto
Kaylen Flachsbarth
Hays Hummel
Chaney Finkeldei
Ashley Mai
Sam Cast
Colby Murray
Ezra Joseph*

*Jack Keathley-Helms
Max Bates
Jayden Ramirez-Morris
Samantha Whittlesey
Madison Beeley
Noah Dittmer
Mary Kate Shultz
Hannah De Guzman*



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

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Varsity Gymnastics
at SM Northwest Invite
11am, SM Northwest

Homecoming 2021 Dance
7pm, Student Parking Lot
\$5 Admission
Jungle Theme

LOOKING AHEAD AT NEXT WEEK!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

Varsity Boys Soccer at De Soto | 6pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

Varsity Girls Tennis at Gardner-Edgerton Tournament
9am, Gardner-Edgerton

Varsity Girls Golf at Olathe South Invitational
12:30pm, Sycamore Ridge Golf Course

Varsity Volleyball Dual
6pm, SM West

Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Olathe Northwest
7pm, Firebirds Soccer Stadium
Purchase Tickets [Here](#)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony | 7pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

Varsity Girls Golf at Olathe Northwest Invitational
1pm, Heritage Park Golf Course

Varsity Gymnastics at Hawk Invite
5pm, Mill Creek Center

Varsity Volleyball vs. Olathe Northwest, SM East
5pm, Olathe Northwest

Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Olathe North
7pm, Firebirds Soccer Stadium

Purchase Tickets [Here](#)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

Varsity Football vs. Olathe North
7pm, ODAC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

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Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country at Maple Leaf Classic
8:30am, Baldwin Golf Course

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