



Free State Firebirds Update

Let's Go State!



Updates from
the Firebirds
Athletic
Department!

2022 Shrine Bowl Congratulations!

CONGRATULATIONS to
Senior Jet Dineen, selected to play in
the 2022 Kansas Shrine Bowl
All-Star Game!

The 49th annual Kansas Shrine Bowl will
be played July 23rd at Pittsburg State's
Carnie Smith Stadium.





Firebirds in
Action!

Free State Community Visits Santa "Dec"



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Happy Holidays from
Santa "Dee" &
Wayne





Don't Miss This!



Flex Mod Schedule Changes!

The Flex Mod Schedule for Second Semester has changed.

Please look for email updates from Mr. Graber with the details!



Bobs Award
Congratulations!

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Congratulations to Free State Special Education teacher, Mrs. Erin McDaneld-Campbell. Recipient of the Lawrence Schools Foundation Bobs Award! The annual award was created by the sons and daughters of a group of community members who all share the same first name – Bob. At the end of each school year in May, the Foundation presents The Bobs Award to recognize an outstanding teacher. The sons and daughters of the Bobs were so inspired by their fathers' examples, they created the Dedication to Education Award. This award brings attention to a teacher, paraeducator or certified staff member who goes the extra mile to help kids who need it most. It acknowledges someone who supports the district's Excellence, Equity and Engagement goals, and is dedicated to the success of every student.







Staff Members
of the Month!

November Staff Member of the Month!

Ms. Sophia Coehn

Ms. Coen is a new teacher who goes above and beyond for all of her students. She prioritizes student relationships and teaches the “whole child.” Students in her classroom feel loved, seen and safe.



November Staff Member of the Month!

Mr. DJ Davis

Mr. Davis makes sure that
our school is clean and organized
every day before and after school.

Every time he is asked to do
something, he does it promptly.

He is very helpful!



November Staff Member of the Month!

Mrs. Wendy Haas

Mrs. Haas goes out of her way to provide a learning environment that is caring and rigorous for all of her students. She works tirelessly to create hands-on and engaging lessons for her students. Mrs. Haas cares deeply about personal connections and makes positive and compassionate relationships with her students and colleagues.




November Staff Member of the Month!

Ms. Amy Hill

Ms. Hill has jumped right in as a new staff member and is always willing to help. She is proactive, honest, and fair. Ms. Hill helps students and staff problem solve difficult situations and in doing so, helps to build these skills in all of us.





December Staff Members of the Month!

The December Staff Members of the Month were all nominated because of their commitment to making Free State High School the best place it can be for our students. Other key characteristics are that they build relationships, keep students safe, build confidence in students, advocate for students, understand the importance of being part of a team, and show care and compassion to others. Thank you and congratulations to these Firebird staff members!

December Staff Member of the Month!

Mrs. Shelly Bennett
School Nurse



December Staff Member of the Month!

Mr. Spencer Bonner
Security Guard



December Staff Member of the Month!

Mr. Justin Deaver
Paraprofessional



December Staff Member of the Month!

Mr. Brit Dewey
PE & Social Studies Teacher



December Staff Member of the Month!

Mr. Aaron Lamble
Special Education Teacher



December Staff Member of the Month!

Ms. Anna Miller
Paraprofessional



December Staff Member of the Month!

Mrs. Jordan Rose
Science Teacher



December Staff Member of the Month!

**Officer Frazier &
Officer Wiltz**
School Resource Officers





Birthday Wishes!

December Birthdays!

Jacolin Miller | December 20th

Bonnie Mills | December 21st

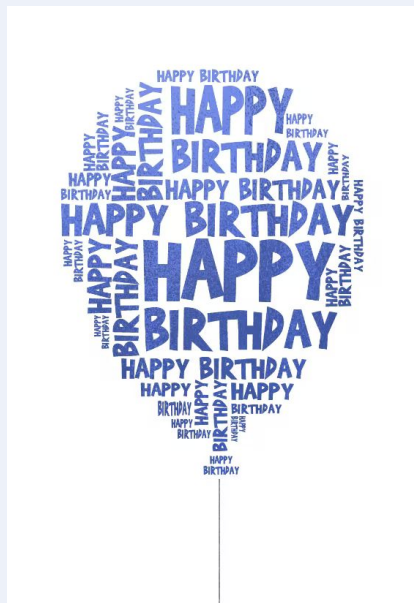
Thomas Lipp | December 22nd

Sheryl Moore | December 26th

Amanda Torbett | December 26th



January Birthdays!



Allyson Gilmore | January 02nd

Aimee Landwehr | January 02nd

Don Mack | January 03rd

Josh East | January 04th

Amanda Frederick | January 05th

Nathan Mangold | January 06th

Sarah Podrasky | January 08th



Upcoming this
Week!



Tuesday, January 04th

Varsity Girls Basketball | 5:30pm, SM South

Varsity Boys Basketball | 7pm, SM South



Thursday, January 06th

Welcome Back - First Day of Second Semester!



Friday, January 07th

Varsity Boys Swim & Dive vs. Lawrence, SM East, SM North, SM West
3:30pm, SM Aquatic Center

Varsity Girls Basketball | 5:30pm, Gardner-Edgerton

Varsity Boys Basketball | 7pm, Gardner-Edgerton



Saturday, January 08th

Varsity Boys Wrestling at Derby Tournament
8am, Derby

Varsity Girls Wrestling at Topeka-Seaman Tournament
8am, Topeka-Seaman

Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Park Hill South
5:30pm, St. Thomas Aquinas



Coming Up
Next Week!



Monday, January 10th

Varsity Boys & Girls Bowling vs. Olathe Northwest, SM South, SM West
3pm, Olathe Lanes East



Tuesday, January 17th

Varsity Girls Basketball vs. Olathe North | 5:30pm

Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Olathe North | 7pm



Wednesday, January 12th

Varsity Boys Swim & Dive at Free State Invite | 330pm, LIAC

Varsity Girls Basketball vs. Truman | 7pm



Thursday, January 13th

Varsity Girls Bowling at Firebird Invite | 8am, Royal Crest



Friday, January 14th

Varsity Boys Bowling at Firebird Invite | 8am, Royal Crest

Varsity Boys Wrestling at Tournament of Champions
8am, Newton

Varsity Girls Basketball vs. Olathe Northwest | 5:30pm

Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Olathe Northwest | 7pm



Saturday, January 15th

Varsity Boys Wrestling at Tournament of Champions
8am, Newton

Varsity Girls Wrestling at Wichita West Tournament
8am, Wichita West

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