

Thursday Thoughts-10/15/20

Mission: The community of Las Animas Junior High & High School are dedicated to providing opportunities in a safe environment for students and staff to grow academically, socially, emotionally, and physically through positive systems of support.



Vision: Consistently make positive connections to support a person's full potential as a community member.

Shout Outs: My cup runneth over...Thank you for the gifts and very nice notes! We Are HECTOR!!!

Thank you to Ms. Goines, Mrs. Torrez, Mrs. Meardon, Mrs. Vaughn, Mrs. Armstrong, and Mrs. Conger for dressing up for PT Conferences. Thank you to Mrs. Laura Garcia and Ms. Frances Skiles for taking messages for me from the Amazing Family Challenge! Thanks Mrs. Koch for jumping in and helping Ms. Waring with the end of day sack lunches! Thanks to all the class sponsors for getting the kids organized for the year. Thanks to DJ and Eric for hanging the new HECTOR signs in the Jr. High.

Coverages: We would not be able to keep our cohorts and allow for our environment to be as safe as possible without the agreement to cover. These are the number of hours covered by each individual to date.

Armstrong, D.	4		Hines	9		Osborn	6		Stuart	4
Bebbe	8		Japhet	2		Pointon	13		Torrez	2
Compton	2		Koch	12		Schultz	1		Vaughn	3
Conger	2		L. Garcia	2		Siefkas	5		Vigil	6
Cumbie	14		Marfil	5		Sharp	4		Wallace	10
E. Garcia	40		Miller	4		Smith	7			

Celebrations: Mrs. Marfil's advisory class got Attendance Counts today!!!! FFA's Range Judgers did an excellent job at their competition last week. Mr. Reyher's TA received Attendance Counts this week. ALL of the Seniors took the SAT on Wednesday.

Info for All:

Community Meeting - Last Spring, our community faced the threat of the closure of our private prison, Core Civic. Many staff members came forth with letters of support and offered testimony at the state capitol building. A next step that emerged from that is a Prison Utilization Study. There will be a meeting on Tuesday, October 27th at 5:30 pm at the Community Center. The prison is one of our largest employers in Bent County and a vital partner in our community. Your support would be greatly appreciated with attendance to the meeting.

BLT Update: This month BLT met and created the new vision statement from the work we did at the last staff meeting. There was also discussion about eligibility and the options we can choose from CHSAA. Mr. Beebe will be following up with CHSAA for clarification of options. The eligibility conversation led to the conversation around the mindset of eligibility being a shift to just looking at data and not making it a consequence of not doing their work. The conversation will continue to include meaningful grades and mindset shift around grade checks.

Professional Development: Cody and I will be facilitating the CLD training next Friday in person. Groups will be created and shared next week. The tentative schedule for next Friday is below in the upcoming dates.

Orders: Last month ordering changed in the district. I will be ordering all supplies and items needed for the JH and HS (except Ag.) classrooms. If you need something, please create a PO and put in my box or door. If it is an online order and a link is available, please email me the link and it will make ordering faster. This is new to all of us and might take a minute to get the system running without error. When you do receive your items, please return the packing slip to my box or office to help me know when you received your items.

Halloween Parties - Parties are allowable during Advisory on the 29th. Please have an awareness of healthy treats in balance with sweets. No parents will be allowed to attend or bring things late to the school. HS advisory will be after testing.

Outside Breaks: There have been more and more times when students from both buildings have been in the rec. Area at the same time. Mr. Beebe and I will be meeting next week to look at the schedule and update.

School Board: This month the board has asked us to present on Professional Development. Mrs. Gardner and I thought it would be better coming from a classroom teacher/para. If you are interested in sharing our process and your experience with the board, please let me know and we will set a time to discuss the outline of the presentation.

SCAP Survey: Just a reminder to come by and get a little something for taking the SACP survey. Both the student and teacher survey need to be completed by 10/19.

- **Student Survey**: http://bit.ly/SCAP_Student_English_2021 Complete by 10/19 in Advisory.
- **Certified Staff Survey**: http://bit.ly/SCAP_Educators_2021 Complete by 10/19.

MTSS-PBIS: Mr. Beebe has shared a tracker showing how many tickets have been turned in to each advisory.

Health and Wellness: Mrs. Bucholz would like to meet with everyone (teachers and advisors) during their plans to discuss health standards and implementation of the standards during advisory or PE or science. **Please schedule a time to meet with her during the week of October 26th.**

Compliment Project: Each staff member has a slide. Please add a positive note to each [person's slide](#). I will print and present at the end of December.

Office Door: The front door of the office will be locked. Students should be directed to the "box" to speak with the office staff. For all staff members, the side door will be unlocked.

Junior High Info.:

PSAT Administration: There will be a few 8th graders that will take the PSAT on Thursday the 29th. Ms. Pointon will send you a list when it is finalized.

High School Info.:

PSAT Administration: The Freshman and Sophomores will have their Pre-Administration sessions next week. We will conduct the freshman during PE (1st hour) and the sophomores during World History on the 22nd of October. Testing will be the 29th. Please refer to the testing information in the Virtual WAR Room.

Remote Learning Tracker: Please have it updated by Thursday afternoon. Mrs. E. Garcia is updating Goedustar every Friday morning. If you find a mistake or make a change to a previous week, please contact Mrs. E. Garcia in order for her to make changes in Goedustar.

Next Week:

Oct. 19th: Eligibility
19th: SCAP Surveys completed--Staff and Students
20th: DAC Training-Wallace gone
21st: Culturize book study @ 4pm
21st: FAFSA Night-Virtually
22nd: Pre-Admin. for Sophomores and Freshman
23rd: PD Tentative Schedule
7:30-Circle
8:00-CLD Training

1:00-Vertical Teams

2:30-Plan/Team Time

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 26th: School Board Meeting @ 6:00
27th: SAT Make-up Day
27th: Prison Utilization Study @5:30
28th: HECTOR of the Month due!
29th: PSAT for Sophomores and Freshman
29th - AFC: Trunk or Treat
Nov. 2nd: Eligibility

