

The Eagle Vision

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JHS students named Semi-Finalist and Commended in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship program

Joplin High School senior Noah Chotrow was named as a National Merit Semi-Finalist earlier in the semester. Noah is competing to earn the distinction of National Merit Finalist. As a finalist he will be eligible for the National Merit Scholarship program as well as other financial awards at colleges across the country at enrollment. Best wishes Noah!



In addition, Savannah Spencer has been named a Commended Student in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one and a half million students who entered the 2016 competition. Congratulations Savannah!

JHS Journalism Department makes 2012-2014 Yearbooks available as The Heritage Collection

The JHS journalism department recently announced a community campaign to support their program by offering *The Heritage Collection*, which is a collection of Joplin High School yearbooks from the 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 school years. The collection is just in time to commemorate

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 21/22 Parent/Teachers Conferences
- Oct. 23 NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 24 ACT National Test Date at JHS
- Oct. 27 Fall Choir Concert
- Oct. 29 Fall Orchestra Concert
- Nov. 2 NO SCHOOL – District Prof Dev Day
- Nov. 4/5 ASVAB Exam for Juniors
- Nov. 5 ACT Power Prep at JHS
- Nov. 12-14 Fall Play – *Leading Ladies*
- Nov. 19 Evening of Jazz – Auditorium
- Nov. 25-27 Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 10 Band Concert
- Dec. 10-12 Lady Eagles Basketball Classic
- Dec. 15 Choir Concert
- Dec. 17 Orchestra Concert
- Dec. 17 Finals (Classes 1-3-5-7)
- Dec. 18 Finals (Classes 2-4-6)

the 5th anniversary of the May 2011 tornado that destroyed much of the Joplin community as well as Joplin High School and Franklin Technology Center. *The Heritage Collection* depicts the school experiences of students at both the mall campus and the old Joplin High School on 8th and Pearl Streets. The four-book collection will sell for \$99.00, or \$75.00 for a set of three yearbooks. Those interested should contact yearbook sponsor Mary Crane at: marycrane@joplinschools.org, or for more information call [417-347-5865](tel:417-347-5865).

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Follow Joplin High School for school news and information, the Joplin High School counselors for scholarship information and counseling updates, the JHS sports teams for what's happening "on the field or on the court", and Dr. Kerry Sachetta for school celebrations, education news, and school updates -daily.

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JHS/FTC Mission Statement

Empowering all learners by engaging in college and career readiness through rigorous and relevant opportunities that foster a passion for learning and a strong work ethic in responsible and innovative citizens.

JHS/FTC Vision Statement

We pursue excellence by

- *providing* a safe, rigorous, innovative and career-focused learning environment
- *inspiring* self-discovery
- *embracing* diversity and collaboration
- *bridging* the transition to post-secondary aspirations
- *developing* world-class leaders
-

... so learners emerge as productive, responsible citizens.



JHS continues to prepare for Accreditation Visit for March 2016 by AdvancED

Joplin High School's teacher teams are pouring through survey information, school documents, DESE state reports, and many other pieces of information in order to "self-assess" progress in meeting school improvement standards set by AdvancED/North Central Association. The JHS accreditation review is scheduled for March 2nd and 3rd during the 2015-16 school year. Recently the staff and students took a computer generated anonymous survey to help the school learn how stakeholders feel about the school's vision and purpose, leadership, quality of teaching and learning, resources and supports systems, and the school's commitment to continuous improvement.

The standards set by AdvancED help schools measure their effectiveness in meeting researched based "Quality Schools" standards. Joplin High School has been affiliated with the North Central Association (which is now part of AdvancED) since 1915.

In March, the visiting "quality assurance review" team will leave the school with a preliminary report of their findings. Schools use the preliminary findings as well as the final draft from the quality assurance review team's final report to help launch further school improvement measures.

For more information go to: <http://www.advanc-ed.org/>

Dr Tina Woolsey, AdvancED MO State Director (far left) and Dr Gene Reynolds, AdvancED MO State Council Member (far right), present Paul Gipson JHS AdvancED chair and Social Studies teacher and Dr. Kerry Sachetta, JHS Principal recognize JHS with 100 years of AdvancED Accreditation at the AdvancED MO State Conference in Columbia, MO.

JHS Improves School Effectiveness as measured by the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) for 2015

Joplin High School recently received good news from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Joplin High School's MSIP score raised from 81.4% of the possible points in 2014, to 84.3% of the possible points in 2015. The general area that exhibited the most improvement from 2014 to 2015 was academic achievement. Improvement in mathematics and science scores highlighted the improvement.

The JHS graduation rate continues to show positive trends as well. In fact, the 6-year graduation rate climbed to 88.5% for 2015. Programs like MO Options and Eagle FLEX continue to help may students earn their high school diploma.

Teachers Bobette Welch (MO Options) and David Armstrong (Eagle FLEX) work with about 50 students per year to help customize a plan of improvement for them to meet standards in order to graduate. Their work, along with the help of the senior principal (Greg Boyd and/or Dan Hueller), all of the counselors, the daily efforts of our teachers to work with students who struggle, Fusion mentors, and our mental health counselors – ALL make a significant difference everyday for our students. Great job everybody!

Joplin Schools' state Annual Performance Report score continues to improve

On Friday, Oct. 23, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education released the Annual Performance Report (APR) for Missouri schools. The Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP 5) performance standards are the basis for the APR. Districts earn points in each of the five performance standards: academic achievement (40% of points), subgroup achievement (10% of points), college and career readiness (21% of points), attendance (8% of points) and graduation (21% of points).

Joplin Schools' APR improved to 86.8%, and the district remains fully accredited by the state.

Joplin Schools (District): Total APR
2013 – 78.6%
2014 – 85%
2015 – 86.8%

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