A Message from the Principal By Kerry Sachetta, EdD

2nd Quarter 2013-14

The NEW Joplin High School and Franklin Technology Center



Riechman- Bennett named National Merit Semi-Finalist

Senior **Matthew Riechman-Bennett** was named as a semifinalist in the 59th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. There are approximately 16,000 academically talented high school seniors that will have the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 8,300 National Merit Scholarships, worth more than \$34 million, that will be offered next spring.

To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements and advance to the Finalists level of the competition. About 90 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalists standing, and more than half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title.

Adele Kanan, senior, was also recognized as "commended" in the National Merit program. *Great job students!!!*

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New ACT Prep Sessions at JHS

This year the guidance department is offering ACT test prep sessions before each national testing event. The sessions consist of a practice exam for all students enrolled to test at each national testing event. The

practice exams will occur at school about a week to ten days before the national test. Then shortly after the practice exam, a math teacher and English instructor will offer test-taking strategies to the same group of students. The teachers will review the practice exam items and how the students scored to help them understand how they can improve their scores on the actual exam. The JHS counselors will offer the sessions four times throughout the school year.

JHS Students Get Tips for Creating Resumes and Planning for a Successful Job Interview

from Kelli Price and the Eagle Minute

The Joplin High School and Franklin Technology Center Career Path team is hosted two Brown Bag Workshops at the JHS 11/12 campus. The workshop was designed to educate students on career-ready skills. The first event, "Resume Building: Tips and Advice to a Successful Resume," will took place on Oct. 15 during all three lunch periods. The guest speaker was Missouri Southern State University Director of Career Services Nicole Brown who has extensive experience helping college students create resumes.

The second workshop, "Interviewing: The Before, During, and After Process," will be held on Nov. 20, also during all three lunch periods. Jennifer Little, Leggett & Platt Senior Talent Advisor, will speak on mastering the art of job interviewing.

The workshops are open to all JHS 11-12 students. Attendees can bring a lunch from home or bring their school lunch to the workshop.

Joplin High School and Art Feeds to Support Estes Park, Colorado

from Kelli Price and the Eagle Minute

Recent floods in Colorado have devastated homes, schools, and entire communities. In an effort to pay it forward and help neighbors in need, the students and staff at Joplin High School and the Art Feeds organization have partnered to launch Color Estes, a relief effort designed to provide free therapeutic art and creative education to the children of Estes Park Elementary School, a school that serves 515 students in three area communities: Glen Haven, Drake, and Pinewood Springs.

The goal is to provide an Art Feeds art pack to every student. The art packs are filled with supplies to help students begin the healing process

mentally and emotionally through expression and creativity. Each art pack costs \$15 and includes an Art Feeds tote, 10-pack markers, 24-pack crayons, a sketchbook, 8-color watercolor palette, pens, pencils, markers, and a super hero cape. When the funds for the supplies are raised, Art Feeds will order supplies and Joplin Schools' students will assemble the art packs and sew the super hero capes. In addition, Joplin Schools' students will be trained by Art Feeds to travel to Estes Park to distribute the art packs and help provide a lesson. Estes Park will also be provided with a 12-week disaster curriculum developed by Art Feeds.

You can help! Visit <u>www.colorestes.org</u> to learn more and donate.

Joplin Eagles Softball Team Wins Conference Championship

Congratulations to the girl's softball team and coach Kirk Harryman in his return at the helm for Eagles softball. The girls have had a great season and have won the Ozark Conference championship.



JHS Boys Soccer Team

The JHS boys soccer team remains undefeated in the Ozark Conference.

JHS Girls Golf

Samantha Stout and Lynsey Fichtner qualify for state golf. Good Luck to both of them.

JHS Girls Tennis

Congratulations to the girls tennis team for winning the 2013 District Championship. Good luck in sectionals on October 19.

Follow all of our sport teams on facebook at facebook.com/joplineagles or twitter@JHS Athletics

Upcoming Activities and Events

End of First Quarter October 11

Parent/Teachers Conferences October 16 and 17 (beginning at 4pm)

NO School October 18

LINK Crew Gauntlet for Freshmen October 21 and 22 at Victory (formerly the Bridge)
PLAN Test (by ACT) October 23 & 24 @ 9/10 Campus (sophs only)

Fall Vocal Concert October 24 @ 7:00 9/10 Auditorium
Orchestra Concert October 29 @ 7:00 9/10 Auditorium

School ½ Day October 31

JROTC Halloween Dance November 1 (location TBA)

ASVAB Exam (all juniors) November 5 and 6 (11/12 cafeteria)

JROTC Veteran's Day Program November 11 TBA

Fall Play November 14-16 @ 7:00 9/10 Auditorium

JHS Mission Statement

Duty, Honor, Peace and Pride: engaging in academics and activities for success.

JHS Vision Statement

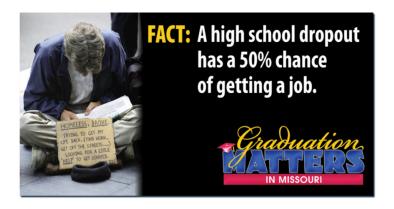
Joplin High School students, staff, parents, and community work together to:

- provide a safe and academically challenging environment.
- model life-long learning, respect, responsibility, and independence.
- engage and excel in academics and activities...

...so that all students will be successful in school and beyond.







Hope to see you at school functions!

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Principal

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