



**Scribner-Snyder
Community Schools
NEWSLETTER
October/November, 2014**

Small School, Big Education

We are off to a great start and have a promising school year ahead of us. The faculty at SSCS are always planning and creating a positive learning environment. It is important that parents and faculty prepare to meet all the students' needs and to challenge students to reach their potential. We need your cooperation and involvement to provide the students at SSCS with the best education possible. New ideas and programs are always being discussed, modified and implemented. We want to build a partnership with our community, parents, and patrons, which will ensure student success. SSCS is a unique learning environment that values and demonstrates its never failing mission to accomplish excellence.

The SSCS website will provide you with vital and important information concerning the expectations, policies, procedures and guidelines to help in promoting effective educational practices and daily student success. The website is: www.sstrojans.org. We will also continue to use our SchoolReach calling system to help keep you informed.

I want to take an opportunity to thank the businesses that support us. The NCIP group is busy planning Reaching for The Stars 2014. This is November 8th at Mohr Auditorium. Please call Sharon at the school office to reserve your tickets. In 2013, 240 tickets were sold for a great evening filled with food, friends and fun. The goal for this year is 280. Things continue to progress ahead.

Ginger L. Meyer

Superintendent of Schools

**Hope you are enjoying the beautiful fall
weather! We certainly are here
at Scribner-Snyder Community Schools.**

2nd Grade News from Mrs. Wuestewald

There are 8 students in 2nd Grade. We have 4 girls and 4 boys. We're off to a great start! It's been a busy beginning to a new school year! We've already had school pictures, Labor Day Break, the Book Fair, and Parent Teacher Conferences. September has been an exciting month!

In Math class, we've been memorizing addition facts, learning the difference between odd and even numbers, and telling time to the nearest hour.

Scribner-Snyder adopted a new Social Studies Series this year. It's been a fun experience doing the digital lessons! We are learning about political maps of the United States and The World.

With lots of practice at home and school, the 2nd Graders will become lifelong readers, writers, and mathematicians!

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS



Some exciting events will be happening soon here at Scribner-Snyder. The first event will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 7th. Teams, organizations, clubs, staff and outside community members will all be taking part in 'Nicole Night'. The event is a fund-raiser to help support one of our students, Nicole Boyle, who is currently recovering from her bone marrow transplant and chemo treatments. Nicole is the daughter of Kerry and Beth Boyle and as diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS) on June 17th. The fund-raiser will feature basket raffles and a bake sale with all proceeds going to help the Boyle family with their medical expenses. Come to Scribner-Snyder on the 7th, watch some exciting volleyball and help support Nicole!

REACHING FOR THE STARS!-----The second event will take place at the Mohr Auditorium on Nov. 8. The 2nd Annual Reaching for the Stars event is in the planning stages. Proceeds from this year's event will be used to purchase bleachers for the S-S gymnasium. The SSCS & Scribner NCIP benefit auction will include a silent auction and social hour at 5 p.m. Those attending will enjoy a delicious prime rib or chicken dinner at 6 p.m. with the live auction to follow. Tickets (\$25) must be purchased in advance for the event at the Scribner Economic Development Office or in the elementary office at the school. Hope to see you there!



****VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM****

Scribner-Snyder Gymnasium

November 11th, 10 a.m.



The Scribner-Snyder FCCLA is looking for your old shoes....

As part of the Soles 4 Souls project, you can donate slightly used shoes to help those in need of shoes. This organization sends shoes overseas to underserved countries. The Chapter will also be sending shoes to local organizations in need. The shoe collection will run from October 6 - October 17. You can help by dropping off your donated shoes in the commons area at the Scribner – Snyder School. There will be a large red box for donations. Please tie shoelaces together or wrap the pairs with a rubber band to keep them together.

Lisa Poppe, FCCLA Advisor

IT'S PACK THE STANDS NIGHT OCT. 3RD!!

Alumni/Friends/Fans of the Trojan football team-You are invited to take part in the annual Pack The Stands Night Friday, Oct. 3rd at the Trojan football field. The SS Booster Club will be providing some fun half-time activities and prizes. Alumni and friends are invited to go back to the good ol' days of high school by playing in the band. Bring your instrument and play before the game with the current high school pep band under the direction of Myron Poessnecker. Please RSVP at mpossneck2@esu2.org or call the call (664-2567) to let them know what instrument you are playing.

In the world of Mr. Dunklau

11th Grade U.S. History---The Juniors started the year on the end of the American West and have now continued on the growth of the Industrial Revolution and Immigration in the latter half of the 19th century. We will then delve into the American empire and Teddy Roosevelt. After which we will cover World War I, the Roaring 20's, the Great Depression and the start of World War II this should take us up to Christmas.

10th Grade World History---The Sophomores started the year in the Middle Ages; they have already completed two projects—(1) Their family coat-of-arms, and (2) their castle building project. They then will cover the Renaissance, Europe's monarchies, the French Revolution and the Age of Reasoning. The 2nd semester we will focus on European History in the 20th century.

12th Grade U.S. Government---The Seniors will cover our government, the history, the Constitution, the three branches of government, the election process, and the history of our two-party system. The Seniors took part in Constitution Day on September 17th; by presenting to the elementary a brief history of our Constitution. They also were able to attend a Webinar on our National Archives. The 2nd semester we will finish the government portion of our class and then do a unit on Economics.

8th Grade U.S. History---The 8th grade will cover American History from the founding of our nation to the Civil War and Reconstruction. The first two months of class we have covered the discovery of the America, the explorers and Native-American tribes. We are now discussing the 13 colonies and the French and Indian War. Our next chapter will be on the American Revolution.

Physical Education—Mr. Kellough


Advanced PE has been working on flexibility, weights and lifetime games and activities. Units have been covered in volleyball, badminton and currently pickleball. Pickleball has grown in popularity immensely the last 10 years.

9th Health will soon be covering units in stress, healthy relationships, fitness and nutrition.

Upper elementary PE classes have spent time on fundamental manipulative movements as well as leisure time activities and games. Sportsmanship education will be a focus in the 4th and 5th grades. Lower elementary PE classes have been working on locomotor and non-locomotor skills, movement experiences and body mechanics.

Greetings from Mrs. Fischer's Classroom!

The 7th and 8th graders are off to an awesome start and are excited to see what the rest of the year will bring! In reading, we begin each of our expeditions with a short video introducing what we will be studying about for the next two weeks. During that two week time frame, we read 4 stories that concentrate on many different skills. The students enjoy the engaging literature!

The Senior Class will be starting their annual fundraiser at the end of October. They will be selling pizza,  cookie dough and other food items. Your purchases will help with graduation expenses. Your kindness and generosity is truly appreciated!

Preschool is off to a great start!

Our first round of assessments have been completed and were shared at parent/teacher conferences. We had great attendance. All of the parents came to meet and talk about their child. We are starting a letter of the week and will do so each week until all of the letters have been covered. We have been talking about shapes, colors, our bodies, clothes and seasons. We are working very hard on practicing writing our name each day. Some of the students are working on their last names. Soon we will be starting a star of the week in the classroom. More information will be sent home about this so be watching the Thursday folders! I hope your children are enjoying school as my as I am enjoying having them in my classroom!

Mrs. Vacha

The First Graders are off to a great start!

This week in science we have been learning about engineers. And guess what? We had the chance to be engineers for an afternoon! We learned about the Design Process that engineers use and then put a plan into action. We wanted to design a plan that would allow us to drop eggs from 4 foot without the shells breaking. We got our materials organized and started dropping eggs! A few of us had to redesign our plan but by the end of the afternoon we all could drop eggs without cracking them! I've got a bright bunch of students--it's looking like it will be a great year!

Mrs. Dostal

Fall is here!

The beginning of the school year is always an exciting time. Learning new things, meeting new people, and participating in school activities are the highlights of beginning a new school year. Both the students and I are going through all of these together this year. Since it is my first year at Scribner-Snyder, I get to go through all of these experiences with the students. I have met several and look forward to meeting more students as the year progresses.

This year I am teaching Jr. High English and 7th World History. We are learning about the writing process and the many different parts of speech. In World History, the 7th grade is learning about early Korea, Vietnam, and Japan. In the coming month we will be spending more time on the Reformation and the Renaissance.

The new high ability learners program at Scribner-Snyder is called Trojans Excel. In this program, the student have been selected based off of their excelling academic work in the classroom. We will be learning about cities in action and building a city of our own design later on this fall.

I look forward to this year and thank you for the warm welcome that you have given me!

Bradley Hegemann

It's a great day to be a Trojan!