## Hawk Happenings

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Cross Country Team


## Cross Country Season Recap

By Coach Dave Smeltzer

I want to say how very proud I am of all my Cross Country kids! For only our second season we did outstanding. We had a total of 38 athletes out from 7th to 12th grade, which from a coaching standpoint is awesome. As the season went on we got stronger and stronger which is what you want, to peak at the right
time. We placed in several meets and received lots of medals. I am excited to have our 8th grade JR High Boys and Girls joining the HS Team next season, it is going to bring a lot to the team. Our group of Seniors will be greatly missed! Already looking forward to next year.


# Woodward-Granger Foundation Awards 

Fall Grant to Preschool Program

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ELC! Shannon Ashman's project for storytelling kits was the recipient of the Woodward-Granger Foundation Fall Mini Grant! Thanks for your application, Mrs. Ashman!


## WG Elementary Supports Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts

Students at Woodward-Granger Elementary School collaborated in October to raise over $\$ 1,000$ in relief funds for families and communities in Texas who were devastated by hurricane Harvey. As a result of this generosity the District received a direct response from the Superintendent of schools of the Orangefield Independent School District of Orangefield, Texas. Congratulations to our students for supporting such a worthwhile cause.


From: Stephen Patterson <spatterson@or
Date: October 10, 2017 at 8:33:52 1 $@$ CD . To: Jenna Tweetention

## Jenna,

Thank you so much for this amazingly kind gesture. I cannot thank you enough for your efforts on our behalf. The care shown by a faculty and student body that we have never met is very humbling. Thank you.
These storms are incredibly devastating to the communities they affect. However, they do something beyond destroying homes, flooding buildings, disrupting lives. Theyple of that. There are no best in all of us. This is just another examples gratitude.
words to accurately express my
Candace Robson, from our business office, will be contacting you. She can provide you with the information necessary to complete his process. Ms. Robson is in charge of all the donations to the district.
Again, on behalf of Orangefield ISD, thank you so very much. May God bless you and your students. Please know that May God bless aran Elementary School has family now in Woodward Granger Elemer hesitate to call on us if we can be of Orangefield, Texas. Never hesitate to call on as forget a friend.

Sincerely,
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## Elementary School

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Granger! It will be located in the Elementary Library and open for business during conferences, November 7 and 9. Come support literacy at WG and purchase reasonably priced books for the children in your life, any teachers you may know, or even splurge on yourself! There is something of interest to everyone!

The MS/HS library is going through some updates and we hope to have an improved and quality collection soon. We are currently removing outdated and unpopular nonfiction titles and replacing them more recent publications where necessary.


## Elementary Technology Update

The school year has started out with an exciting addition to our classrooms! We are pleased to announce that in mid-September, the WG Elementary went 1:1. This means that each student has a computer to use here at school. Each classroom has a cart that houses and charges the computers when not in use. Each student is assigned a computer number and will use the same computer throughout the school year.

There are several reasons why we decided it was important for our students to have their own device. First, we want to teach our students how to be good digital citizens. As our world evolves with more and more interactions online, we want to make sure students understand there are appropriate ways to act, speak, post, etc. online. Digital citizenship has become just as important as teaching students about being respectful and good citizens in face to face situations with others. Along with this, we want our students to be prepared for the future, and by future

I mean middle school and high school!! Typing skills, navigating, and other basic computer skills will help students be more successful in the coming years of their education. Lastly, we want our students to be thinkers, creators, and engaged in our classroom instruction. Having access to computers helps our teachers come up with fun and creative ways for students to learn or show their learning.

As conference time approaches, I would like to extend an invitation to parents during our evening conference times here at the elementary. I will be in the elementary library and / or my office (which in also in the library) both evenings. I would love to chat with you about what our teachers are doing and to answer any questions you may have about our 1:1 initiative. I am looking forward to talking with you!!

Jamie Petersen<br>K-5 Tech/Data Coach



The second annual sixth grade bike ride is in the books for the year! The bike ride went round-trip from Woodward to Madrid with a stop on the High Trestle Bridge for pictures and a break. When students reached the park in Madrid, they were each given a Gatorade and a cookie. Our sixth grade represented WoodwardGranger well on and off the trail for the afternoon.

Thank you to all volunteers who made the bike ride possible. We appreciated the willingness to ride with us, donate goods for the ride, help with transportation and loading of bikes, and helping with bike maintenance on the trail.

To prepare for the bike ride, students focused on real world bike skills in the classroom. This included bike math and things such as how many times would your tire spin? Along with tire circumference. Students also mapped the trail that they were riding in social studies.

Students took some time to reflect after the ride, and they said they enjoyed things such as riding bikes with their friends, getting cookies from Mrs. Nygaard, and looking at the beautiful views from the High Trestle Bridge. Students also were taught about bike safety on the trail. Some things they said they learned and used on the trail included saying "on your left!" when passing someone, using hand signals when turning left or right, and always to being aware of their surroundings on the trail.

Student's thoughts about the bike ride were "The bike trail was amazing! I hope we can ride it again!" "I felt good about the bike ride because I was polite to everyday bikers." "Don't doubt yourself. Instead, push yourself and try." "My favorite part was when we made it to the bridge. It was a breathtaking view!" "It was awesome! I would do it all the time if I could." And last but not least, "Take a break from the business of the classroom and go outside! Listen to the world around you."




By: Tommy Teague, 7th Grade

## GRANDWOOD

October has come and gone already! Where has the time gone? October was a busy month at Grandwood. We have spent some time preparing for Special Olympics Bowling. All of the students did awesome! We have also taken several Community Learning Experiences during October, including plays, a track meet, and more! A big hit was Deals Apple Orchard. Students and staff all
look forward to the orchard this time of year. We ended our month with the October Hero Huddle to celebrate our PBIS values of Patience, Honesty, Kindness, and Trust. The students were able to dress up and get candy during our first classroom "Trunk or Treat." It has been such a great month full of fun and a lot of learning!

## Patience • Honesty • Kindness • Trust



W-G Teachers (David Combs and Nicole Gent) recently attended the lowa Skilled Trade Conference at Hy Vee Hall in Des Moines. Kim Reynolds (lowa Governor) and Mike Rowe (Discovery Channel's "Dirty Jobs") were featured speakers for the day.


I would like to thank all of the generous donors who contributed to my Donors Choose project. My flexible seating project has been fully funded and I will soon be receiving some new stools and chairs for my classroom. To complete the flexible seating areas in my classroom, I would still like to have the following things:

- Area rugs
- Floor pillows
- Floor lamps
- A used sofa or comfortable chair

If you happen to have any of these items in storage that you would like to contribute to my Spanish classroom, please let me know.
~Señora McCord amandamccord@wghawks.school

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Dear Families,
We are excited to announce that we are starting a new program at Woodward-Granger called the Food Pantry Program. It will be in place of the BackPack Program that some of you may have heard of in the past. The Food Pantry Program is able to serve more of our student population and help feed more families than the BackPack Program. We will even have produce, milk, meats, and so much more! Our Food Pantry will be open to all WG families the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month at the new Elementary school from $3: 00-4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. We will also be able to take appointments if that time does not work in your schedule. To schedule an appointment, please email Alex Blum or Jenna Tweeten at the email addresses listed below. We hope you are as excited about this new opportunity as we are! Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

Alex Blum
Elementary Nurse
alexblum@wghawks.school

Jenna Tweeten
Elementary Counselor
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## Woodward-Granger Drama Department Presents



Friday, November 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Woodward-Granger High School Auditorium

$\$ 3.00 /$ students<br>$\$ 5.00 /$ adults<br>No activity passes accepted for the performances



On October 17th the High School choir had their first concert of the year. The concert was a collaboration concert with the Perry High School Choir. The students of WG performed three pieces which include: "Come Join in Singing" by Jacques Arcadelt, Down in the Valley" by Linda Speveck and "Let My People Go" arranged by Roger Emerson. After both schools performed, they merged to create
one large choir, in which they sung "Why We Sing" by Greg Gilpin. The concert was a huge success, and both directors have discussed a collaboration concert in the future. Thank you to all the parents and fans of the choir who came out and supported us. The next chance to hear the WG High School Choir is at the winter concert, with the High School Band, on Monday, December 18th, at 7 pm .


## FCCLA

On October 2, six members of the WoodwardGranger FCCLA Chapter attended Fall Leadership Rally. They learned all about the opportunities available to them through FCCLA this year. Students were also able to learn from a keynote speaker as well as other break out sessions about how to improve their ability to be leaders in their schools and their communities. Look for FCCLA to be doing
some awesome things this year from competitive events to community service activities. FCCLA is open to all students, grades 6-12, and provides a lot of opportunities for growth and leadership development. If you or your child is interested in joining FCCLA please see Mrs. Gansen, or email her at kendragansen@wghawks.school.


## EXTRA INFO

Milk choice of $1 \%$ White, Skim or Chocolate
Skim is included with lunch. For questions or comments, contact Meladee Steele at: meladeesteele@wghawks.school or call 515-438-2115 ext 5129


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## Grandwood

## Lunch Menu

Fresh Vegetable Choices and Seasonal Fruit




## Classic Cafe

## Pulled Pork on a Pretzel Bun

 Cole SlawDiner Station
Chicken Patty Sandwich

Grab and Go
Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad


Classic Cafe
Lunch Brunch Sandwich and Tater Tots Deviled Egg

Cheese,
Pizza Pepperoni
Sausage

Grab and Go Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad

## Classic Cafe

Pasta Bar
(Marinara or Alfredo) Meatball or Chicken) Garlic Bread

Diner Station
Breaded Pork Sandwich

Grab and Go
Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad

Milk choice of $1 \%$ White, Skim or Chocolate Skim is included with lunch.
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## Classic Cafe

Pulled Pork on Pretzel Bun Creamy Coleslaw

Diner Station
Chicken Patty Sandwich

Grab and Go
Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad

## Classic Cafe

Lunch Brunch Sandwich Tater Tots
Deviled Egg

Diner Station BBQ Riblet

Pizza Cheese
Sausage
Pepperoni

Grab and Go Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad

## Classic Cafe

Diner Station
Breaded Pork Sandwich

Grab and Go
Fresh Made Deli Sandwich Fresh Made Chef Salad


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Woodward-Granger 2017-2018 Multiple Activities Schedule (as of 10-27-2017)

| Activity | Time | Versus | Location | Location Detail | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FRIDAY, NOV 03, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Football: Varsity Quarterfinals Playoffs | 7:00pm | TBA, TBA | TBA |  | Football State Tournament Quarterfinals. |
| HS Drama | 7:00pm |  | MS/HS Auditorium |  | HS Fall Play in the Auditorium |

SATURDAY, NOV 04, 2017

| HS Dance Team | State Individual <br> Solo Dance <br> Competition in |
| :--- | :--- |
| HS Drama | Newton. |

MONDAY, NOV 06, 2017

| HS Speech | 6:00pm | Speech Camp Performance Night. In HS Auditorium. |
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| TUESDAY, NOV 07, 2017 |  |  |
| Elementary | 4:00pm-8:00pm | Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences. |
| MS Instrumental Music | 6:30pm | SCIBA 7th Grade Honor Band Concerts in Ankeny. Red band performs at 6:30, White Band performs at 7:00. WG has 3 students participating this year. |
| HS Vocal Music | 7:00pm | WCAC Choir Festival Concert at Van Meter HS |

WEDNESDAY, NOV 08, 2017
Volleyball: Girls Varsity State TBD TBA, TBA TBA State Volleyball

| Tournament. |
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## THURSDAY, NOV 09, 2017

| Volleyball: Girls Varsity State | TBD | TBA, TBA | TBA |
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| Meet |  | State Volleyball |  |
| HS Instrumental Music | $9: 30 a m$ |  | Tournament. |
|  |  | MS/HS |  |
|  |  | Veterans Day |  |
| Program in |  |  |  |
| HS Instrumental Music | $11: 00 a m$ | Auditorium. |  |
|  |  | Elementary |  |
|  |  | Veterans Day |  |
|  |  | Program in |  |
|  |  | Elementary |  |


| Early Learning Center | 4:00pm-8:00pm |  |  | District Wide <br> Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basketball: Boys JH Game | 4:00pm | Des Moines Christian | Woodward Granger Middle School |  |
| Basketball: Girls JH Game | 4:00pm | Des Moines Christian | Des Moines Christian School |  |
| Elementary | 4:00pm-8:00pm |  |  | District Wide <br> Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| High School | 4:00pm-8:00pm |  |  | District Wide <br> Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| Middle School | 4:00pm-8:00pm |  |  | District Wide Parent/Teacher Conferences |


| FRIDAY, NOV 10, $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ |  |  |  |
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| Volleyball: Girls Varsity State | TBD | TBA, TBA | TBA |
| Meet |  | State Volleyball |  |
| Early Learning Center |  | Tournament. |  |
| High School | No School. |  |  |
| Middle School No School. <br> Elementary No School. | No School. |  |  |


| SATURDAY, NOV 11, 2017 |  |  |
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| WGCSD  Veteran's Day. <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Football: Varsity Semifinals <br> Playoffs <br>    <br> Thank you to   <br> all who do or   <br> have served   <br> our country!   |  |  |

MONDAY, NOV 13, 2017

| Basketball: Girls JH Game | 4:00pm | Van Meter | Woodward Granger Middle School |  |
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| Basketball: Boys JH Game | 4:00pm | Van Meter | Van Meter High School |  |
| TUESDAY, NOV 14, 2017 |  |  |  |  |
| HS Instrumental Music | 7:00pm |  |  | WCAC Band Festival Concert at Van Meter High School |

THURSDAY, NOV 16, 2017
HS Instrumental Music

HS Vocal Music

| Basketball: Boys JH Game | 4:00pm | Adair-Casey/Guthrie <br> Center | Woodward Granger Middle <br> School |
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| Basketball: Girls JH Game | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | AC/GC | AC/GC Junior High School |

## FRIDAY, NOV 17, 2017

HS Instrumental Musi

HS Vocal Music

All State Music Festival at ISU

All State Music Festival at ISU

| HS Chearleading |  |  |  | State Honor Cheer Squad Performs at halftime of the State Football Championships at the UNI Dome. |
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| Basketball: Girls JV Game | 6:30pm | Collins-Maxwell | Collins-Maxwell High School |  |
| Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 8:00pm | Collins-Maxwell | Collins-Maxwell High School |  |
| SATURDAY, NOV 18, 2017 |  |  |  |  |
| HS Instrumental Music |  |  |  | All State Music Festival at ISU |
| HS Vocal Music |  |  |  | All State Music Festival at ISU |

## MONDAY, NOV 20, 2017

| Basketball: Girls JH Game | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Earlham | Woodward Granger Middle <br> School |
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| Basketball: Boys JH Game | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Earlham | Earham High School |

TUESDAY, NOV 21, 2017

| HS Instrumental Music | $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Jazz Preview <br> Concert in the <br> Auditorium |
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WEDNESDAY, NOV 22, 2017

| WGCSD | $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | No School. <br> Thanksgiving <br> Break. |
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| THURSDAY, NOV 23, 2017 |  | No School. |
| WGCSD | $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Thanksgiving |
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FRIDAY, NOV 24, 2017

| WGCSD | 5:00pm |  |  |  | No School. Thanksgiving Break. |
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| MONDAY, NOV 27, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basketball: Girls JH Game | 4:00pm | Ogden | Woodward Granger Middle School |  |  |
| Basketball: Boys JH Game | 4:00pm | Ogden | Ogden Middle School |  |  |
| Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 6:15pm | Martensdale-St Marys | Martensdale-St Mary's Jr-Sr High School |  |  |
| Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:45pm | Martensdale-St Marys | Martensdale-St Mary's Jr-Sr High School |  |  |
| TUESDAY, NOV 28, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 6:00pm | West Central Valley | WCV High School |  |  |
| Basketball: Girls Varsity Game | 6:00pm | West Central Valley | WCV High School |  |  |
| Wrestling: Varsity Triangular | 6:00pm | Multiple Schools | Woodward-Granger High School | High School Gym | Triangular right now. Looking for another team to make a quad. |
| Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:30pm | West Central Valley | WCV High School |  |  |
| Basketball: Boys Varsity Game | 7:30pm | West Central Valley | WCV High School |  |  |
| THURSDAY, NOV 30, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basketball: Girls JH Game | 4:00pm | Madrid | Woodward Granger Middle School |  |  |
| Basketball: Boys JH Game | 4:00pm | Madrid | Madrid High School |  |  |

Big Thank you Dallas County Foundation for the $\mathbf{\$ 5 , 6 0 0}$ grant for new bullpens in 2017!

- Hawks Dugout Club


Shout out to our Senior Students involved in fall activities!

- Football
-Band
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Volleyball

We have enjoyed watching you and wish you the best!

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A fun reunion was put together by Mr. Terry Luke for the WG Hawks football teammates of the 1969 and 1970 unbeaten seasons.


