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Seniors Abbie and Ben arrange garland on a Christmas tree in the Uniontown Jr/Sr High Commons area. Abbie and Ben are Student Council members, and decorating the tree is a Student Council project each year.



Photo by Megan

Plans are made to combat budget cuts

By Allen, Talon Editor

The budget cuts passed by the legislature have put much pressure on Uniontown Junior/Senior High School to save money. In response, the administration has planned changes that could possibly save the school approximately \$463,000 next year. Sacrifices, however, will have to be made.

"I think everyone would have to agree that when you have to make up almost a half a million dollars it creates limitations," Superintendent and Principal Randy Rockhold said.

Those "limitations" will begin right now. All spending for the remainder of this school year will be

frozen, meaning that the school will not be buying any new items. Therefore, there will be no purchases for a bus, new vehicles, or any type of technology. Along with that, there will be no new activities or trips added to the calendar.

The school will have to use funds that would normally not be touched. For example, the Contingency Fund, normally used for emergencies, and the Capital Outlay Fund, normally used for repairs. There will be \$74,000 of the Contingency Fund used and \$139,000 of the Capital Outlay Fund used.

These changes, while noticeable, should not have a major effect on the (continued on page 3)

Breakfast Menus

Milk and Juice
 Served With Each Breakfast

Friday, January 1	No School
Monday, January 4	No School
Tuesday, January 5	Cereal, Cookies
Wednesday, January 6	Biscuits and Gravy
Thursday, January 7	Muffins, Sausage Links
Friday, January 8	Breakfast Pizza
Monday, January 11	Yogurt, Cookies
Tuesday, January 12	Donuts, String Cheese
Wednesday, January 13	Biscuits and Gravy
Thursday, January 14	Pancake on a Stick
Friday, January 15	Breakfast Pizza
Monday, January 18	Cereal, Cookies
Tuesday, January 19	Waffle Sticks, Sausage, Links
Wednesday, January 20	Biscuits and Gravy
Thursday, January 21	Danish Roll, String Cheese
Friday, January 22	Breakfast Pizza
Monday, January 25	Peanut Butter Sandwich
Tuesday, January 26	French Toast, Cheese Sticks
Wednesday, January 27	Biscuits and Gravy
Thursday, January 28	Pancake on a Stick
Friday, January 29	Breakfast Pizza

Fort Scott Community College Math Relays November 6, 2009.

Seven schools attended the competition, which was the first ever math contest (they hope to make it an annual affair) at Fort Scott Community College. Uniontown students won the overall competition - in fact, a math teacher from one of the other schools commented after the competition "Even if we add up all of our scores, we still would finish second to Uniontown."

Team Results: 1. Uniontown (357), 2. Pittsburg (95), 3. Pleasanton (47), 4. Christian Heights (43), 5. Fort Scott (40), 6. Marmaton Valley (15), 7. Appleton City (12).

Equations and Inequalities

Grade 9 - Hayden (1), Abby (2), Paige (3).

Grade 10 - Josh (1), Ashley (2), Alex (3), David (4).

Grade 11 - Katelyn (1), Jacob (2), Juia (4).

Grade 12 - Abbie (1), Taylor (2).

Algebra

Grade 9 - Hayden (2), Paige (3), Abby (5).

Grade 10 - Josh (1), Zach (2), Alex (3), Ashley (4).

Grade 11 - Jacob (1), Katelyn (2).

Grade 12 - Abbie (1), Taylor (2), Rayma (3).

Graphing

Grade 9 - Lauren (1).

Grade 10 - Seth (2), Brenden (3), Jordan (4).

Grade 11 - Tara (5).

Grade 12 - Cassie (3), Taylor (4).

Simplifications

Grade 9 - Hayden (1), Abby (3).

Grade 10 - Josh (1), Zach (2), Ashley (4), David (5).

Grade 11 - Katelyn (3).

Grade 12 - Jessica (2), Abbie (3), Taylor (4).

Computational Math

Grade 9 - Amelia (5).

Grade 10 - Jordan (1), Seth (2), Robert (3), Colby (4), Max (5).

Grade 11 - Garic (2), Brendon (4), Emily (5).

Grade 12 - Abbie (1), Veronica (3).

Set Theory

Grade 9 - Abby (1), Amelia (2), Brittany (3).

Grade 10 - Alex (2), Max (3), Chance (5).

Grade 11 - Tara (1), Caitlin (2), Tiffany (3).

Grade 12 - Emily (1), Veronica (3).

Number Theory

Grade 9 - Caleb (1).

Grade 10 - Robert (1), Max (2), Chance (4), Alex (5).

Grade 11 - Garic (2), Ryan (3).

Word Problems

Grade 9 - Austin (1), Caleb (2), Amelia (3).

Grade 10 - David (2), Seth (3).

Grade 11 - Jacob (1), Brendon (2), Colby (4).

Grade 12 - Jessica (2), Jordan (3).

Functions

Grade 9 - Paige (2).

Grade 10 - Veronica (2), Emily (3), Hope (5).

Grade 11 - Tiffany (2), Caitlin (4).

Grade 12 - Cassie (1).

PotPourri

Grade 9 - Austin (3), Brittany (4).

Grade 10 - Chance (1), Seth (2), Jordan (3), Max (5).

Grade 11 - Katelyn (1), Garic (2), Ryan (3).

Grade 12 - Jessica (2), Cassie (3), Colby (5).

Emporia State University Math Day October 28, 2009

A total of 600 students from forty-five schools attended the competition which was divided into two divisions - Division 1 (large schools) and Division 2 (small schools). Uniontown students competed in the small school division. The top schools are not announced, but Uniontown won the small school division.

Results

Geometry Team - Colby , David , Jacob , 1st.
Algebra Team - Taylor , Jessica , Abbie , 2nd.

Math Scramble Team - Chance , Cassie , Katelyn , 3rd.

Algebra Individual - Jessica (1), Taylor (3), Abbie (HM).

ATTENTION!

Boxtops for Education

Submitted by Teresa Smith

WBE has been collecting Boxtops for Education for this school year. In 2007 we collected over 10,000 Boxtops for the Accelerated Reader Store. We really appreciate everyone who donates. We encourage everyone in the community to clip and save those Boxtops. Just give them to any WBE student and they will turn them in at school.

**Keep Clipping those
BOXTOPS!!!**

Warrensburg High School Math - Science Relay

Team Results:

1. Uniontown (182), 2. Smithton (119), 3. South Callaway (92), Cole Camp (69), Stover (33).

Algebra Simplify 9: Abby (1), Brittany (2), Hayden (4)

Graphing 10: Colby (5), Amelia (HM),

Graphing 11: Katelyn (1), Jacob (5), Julia (HM)

Calculators and Computers 12: Cassie (1), Abbie (2), Jessica (3)

Functions 12: Taylor (3), Ryan (HM)

Geometry

Grade 9: Hayden (1), Page (2), Abby (4)

Grade 10: David (2), Seth (4), Brittany (5)

Grade 11: Jacob (1), Matt (5), Tara (HM)

Grade 12: Colby (2)

Trigonometry 12: Jessica (2), Abbie (3), Katelyn (HM)

Physical Science: Paige (HM), Abby (HM), Brittany (HM)

Biology 9-10: Jordan (2), Zach (4), Seth (5), David (HM)

Chemistry 10-12: Katelyn (HM), Jacob (HM)

Physics 11-12: Cassie (2)

Number and Set Theory 12: Chance (1), Robert (2), Alex (3), Max (4)

Algebra Equations 9: Hayden (3)

Algebra

Grade 10: David (1), Zach (4), Chance (), Alex (HM)

Grade 11: Jacob (4), Matt (HM), Katelyn (HM)

Grade 12: Abbie (2), Taylor (4)

Probability 12: Cassie (5), Jessica (HM)

Word Problems

Grade 9: Hayden (5), Brittany (HM)

Grade 10: David (2), Max (HM)

Grade 11: Jacob (3), Katelyn (4)

Grade 12: Jessica (3), Abbie (4)

Advanced Topics 12: Taylor (1), Cassie (5)

Freshman Team: Amelia , Abby , Hayden , Page (1st)

Sophomore Team: Alex , David , Zach , Jordan (1st)

Junior Team: Matt , Tiffany , Jacob , Katelyn (1st)

Senior Team: Tara , Taylor , Jessica , Abbie (2nd)

Mixed Team: Caleb , Chance , Julia , Cassie (1st)

Top Freshmen: Hayden (2), Abby (4), Brittany (5)

Top Sophomores: David (2), Chance (5)

Top Juniors: Jacob (1)

Top Seniors: Abbie (1), Cassie (4)

Budget Cuts

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students. That is something Rockhold feels is important.

"We have tried to make changes students will not feel," Rockhold said, "We want to be a district expanding opportunities, not limiting them."

The biggest alteration is the schedule for next year. The plan, as of right now, is to reduce the school year by twelve days but increase each school day. School hours would run from 8 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.

The new schedule should save the school approximately \$600 on fuel and \$500 on utilities every day.

This plan is not set in stone. The Board of Education, The Uniontown Teacher's Association, and the administration will make the final decision to use this plan or to create a new one.



Photo by Megan

Senior Dates to Remember

January 6--Enrollment during seminar for juniors and seniors taking concurrent classes.

January 11--PSU representative will be here during seminar.

January 27--Mert Barrows from FSCC will be here at 6 p.m. with financial aid help for all seniors and parents dealing with FASFA pin. All parents need to have a FASFA pin. Parents can get a FASFA pin through www.pin.ed.gov.

Uniontown Junior and Senior High School students form a line to receive the H1N1 flu shot. The SEK Multicounty Health Department from Fort Scott has administered free vaccinations to approximately 54 junior and senior high students, 48 West Bourbon Elementary students, 19 USD 235 staff members and 20 community members.