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"Pre" Construction Begins On Elliott County Performing Arts Center



Excavation and soil compaction has begun in front of Elliott County High School in preparation for the construction project.

Site work has begun on the Performing Arts Center addition to Elliott County High School. The 318-seat theatre was partially funded through a \$950,000 grant from the W. Paul and Lucille Caudill Little Arts Endowment, which supports projects that integrate the performing arts into Kentucky school curriculum. Additional funding was provided through the leadership of House Majority Leader Rocky Adkins with the General Assembly's appropriation of \$2,250,000. When completed, the \$3.5 million facility will provide Elliott County students with a state of the art facility for producing and performing plays, as well as an excellent location for groups such as the Lexington Children's Theatre's touring productions to perform. Both the school district and the community will

utilize the Center for a wide variety of educational and community activities.

Actual construction cannot begin until soil compaction is completed. Apparently a ravine ran through the area in front of the existing High School building during the 1940's; core drillers determined that the soil where the ravine existed would not be stable enough to support a new structure. To ensure that this new addition has a firm foundation, a 26-foot deep pit has been excavated, removing old trees, fence posts, etc., and filled with compacted material from another site. This additional soil is being systematically replaced and thoroughly compacted in "lifts" of approximately 8 inches under the supervision of Qore Property Sciences, a geotechnical engineering firm from Lexington, that specializes in projects such as this. Construction of the building will begin as soon as the area is stabilized and meets the standards set forth by the engineering firm.



Left: The architect's blueprint of the Performing Arts Center

Below: A check from the General Assembly for \$2,000,000 to add to the nearly \$1,000,000 from the Lucille Caudill Little Foundation to fund the Center.



Four ECHS Musicians Selected For All District Band

Congratulations to the Elliott County Middle School and High School Band Students who were recently selected to perform with the KMEA District 8 All-District Band. The audition was held at Rowan County H.S. and involved over 600 band students from the surrounding area. The students selected are: 11th grader Kelsey Harper (Oboe), 11th grader Morgan Carver (Alto Sax), 9th grader Michael Jenkins (Percussion) and 8th grader Erin Waddell (Alto Sax).



of 14 hours over the course of a weekend and then perform a concert in the Para-

mount Arts Center in Ashland on the 14th at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Nan Moore from Louisville and Teresa Elliott from Lexington will be the conductors of the Honor Bands.

This is a wonderful opportunity to broaden the musical horizons of the students in the group and for them to become musical ambassadors of Elliott County.

They are fantastic musicians in our band and great leaders. I am sure they will represent Elliott County very well and they deserve to be applauded.

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Youth Swim Team Realizes Benefit Of Hard Work

When young athletes show up for practice, even though they aren't part of an official team, with the uncertainty of a team, it is clear to the coach that a team needs to be formed. That is how the Elliott County Youth Swim Team was developed. These young swimmers come to practice, putting in many meters of swimming, and for that they were allowed to compete and show off their individual accom-

plishments. Elliott County is one of a few school youth teams in Eastern Kentucky and that means the competitions few and far between. Hopefully, next year we will be able to host more events and to swim other places. I would like to commend all of the swimmers for their hard work and I hope more students will become involved next year.
Coach Carla Faulkner



Tyler Wagoner, Charlie Howard, Taylor Wagoner, Shelby Stevens, Kyla Ison Front Row: Landon Griffith, Reece Griffith, Jayde Preece, and Shelby Adkins. Not Pictured: Whitney Nickell and Alley Porter

Reading Review Course

A new program at Elliott County High School is being implemented to increase students reading levels. The Reading Review course is a one-semester course where students work on their reading level in a small group setting. This allows each student time to work one on one with the teacher in the areas they need to make improvements. The students are using the Great Leaps reading program, Accelerated Reader, and a variety of texts focused on improving reading skills and strategies. The students say they really enjoy working on their independent reading level and at their own pace.

5 Tips for parents to help their children improve reading skills.

- 1 Surround your children with reading material.
- 2 Encourage a variety of reading activities.
- 3 Set aside a regular time to read with your children.
- 4 Be knowledgeable about your children's reading progress and difficulties.
- 5 Show enthusiasm for your children's reading.

Elliott County Middle School Cheerleaders Take Second Place at 16th Region KAPOS

On December 3, 2005, the Elliott County 7th and 8th grade cheerleaders competed in the 16th Region Middle School KAPOS at East Carter High School. The competition was held for middle school teams in the 16th region. The squad competed in the eighth grade division against ten other schools from around the area. The girls performed an excellent 2 ½ minute routine and won second place. This squad worked extremely hard to prepare for this com-

petition and all of their hard work paid off. We are very proud of this squad and their second place victory. The cheerleaders have earned the opportunity to compete at the Kentucky State Middle School Championship on January 28, 2006. Also, on February 2, 2006 the squad will travel to Nashville, Tennessee to compete in the Music Jam National Competition. We wish them the best of luck! Team coaches are Tara Thompson and Stephanie Sturgill.



*Members of this year's squad are from Left to Right:
Top Row: Desteny Goodpastor, Kelsey Ison, Kristen Holbrook, Danielle Mason
2nd Row: Kelsey Totten, Caitlin Stegall, Megan Helton, Shelby Brickey, Nina Shaw
3rd Row: Lyndsey Lyons, Lacan Wells, Tiffany Lewis, Hali Whitt, Abbey Wright
Bottom Row: Laken Stevens, Danisha Stafford
Not Pictured - Kendra Cox

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2005-06 Junior Y-Club attend Youth Assembly Conference

On December 8-10 the Elliott County High School Jr. Y-Club attended the Kentucky Youth Assembly in Louisville, Kentucky. During the three-day event the club members were responsible for completing a mock session of the Kentucky General Assembly and a Supreme Court hearing. The Elliott County delegation completed a bill that passed through committee. The delegation then traveled to the Capital at

Frankfort and presented the bill to the House of Representatives where, after debate, it was defeated by a narrow margin.

A member of the Elliott County delegation, Seth Dickerson, received a plaque as an outstanding speaker. The students, along with their chaperones, had a wonderful educational experience and left the conference with a new perspective on state government.

"Elliott County Schools" Publication

"Elliott County Schools" is a monthly newsletter published by the Elliott County Board of Education. Opportunities are always at our fingertips. Taking advantage of these opportunities provides a clear path to success for our students. In the Elliott County Schools, students reach out to take advantage of the educational opportunities every day. The focus of the newsletter is to follow these stepping-stones to success. Our students personally experience; inspiration, knowledge, precision, competitive spirit, and the exhilaration of success in school as well as their personal life. We hope you enjoy "Elliott County Schools" and celebrate the success of our students throughout the community.

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Superintendent of
Schools
- Patricia Howard-
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- Susan Burton-Board
Vice-chairperson
- Denise Black-Board
Member
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- Joe Salyers-Board
Member



Nathan Moore



Justin Watson



Nathan Davis



Maynard Stevens

Four Elliott County Students Earn CompTIA A+ Certification

The Elliott County High School IT computer certification program has produced two students who have successfully passed the CompTIA A+ Certification exams. Nathan Moore, Maynard Stevens, Nathan Davis, and Justin Watson are the first Elliott County students to achieve the difficult and highly regarded industry certification.

The high school's program starts out in the 8th grade as every student enjoys the opportunity to learn to build a PC from scratch during a four and one half week rotation course. Students who develop an interest in the program from the exposure they receive in the rotation course can elect to enroll in a two year program designed to prepare students for the CompTIA A+ certification.

CompTIA is the leading association representing the international technology community. Its goal is to provide a unified voice, global advocacy and leadership, and to advance industry growth through standards, professional competence, education and business solutions. CompTIA certification programs are known throughout the technology community as one of the best ways to break into the information technology field and build a solid career.

A CompTIA certification can open the door to an exciting IT career. Additional certifications add to your credentials and pave the way to better-paying and more challenging positions. They also apply toward a college degree and advanced certifications like Microsoft's System Administrator and Microsoft's System Engineer certifications. Microsoft accepts CompTIA A+, Network+ and Server+ certifications as alternatives to elective exams in their certification programs. More than 50 leading companies and training organizations including Microsoft, Novell, Compaq, Digital Equipment, Lexmark and Gateway 2000 support this industry-wide program.

ECHS instructor Michael Wagner has designed the program to include two industry leading learning systems. These learning systems are funded by local funds as well as a \$10,000 grant written by Wagner.

Marcraft provides text books, work books, specialty computer building components and supplies.

TestOut provides online self paced learning activities that track student progress and present them with learning resources that progress them toward certification, as well as online tracking of student progress and grades. The students use TestOut's LabSim online at school and/or at home to do their work.

LabSim is a virtual computer simulation of building, diagnosing and repairing computers. LabSim consists of hands-on labs based on simulations and is supported with a variety of multimedia instruction including: demonstrations, videos, animations, and instructional graphics. The simulations are very realistic and lead the students

through each unit of study. Students progress at their own pace. When one is ready for final certification examination, the exams are scheduled.

Two tests are required to obtain the A+ certification. The tests are administered only by certified CompTIA testing centers. The results are known immediately as the test is downloaded to the testing center and the results are uploaded to CompTIA in real time. Elliott County students must travel to Teays Valley, West Virginia to take the tests at the New Horizons Learning Center.

Students in the Elliott County program study the following curriculum to prepare themselves for the two required tests:

CompTIA A+ Core

- Installation, Configuration & Upgrading
- Diagnosing & Troubleshooting
- Safety & Preventive Maintenance
- Motherboard/Processors/Memory
- Printers
- Portable Systems
- Basic Networking

CompTIA OS Core

- Function, Structure, Operation and File Management
- Memory Management
- Installation, Configuration and Upgrading
- Diagnosing and Troubleshooting
- Networking

"It is exciting to see students so inspired and focused toward achievement" remarked Wagner, who himself is A+ certified. "This is more than just another test, this test is at the international level and our students have realized that they can be competitive." Wagner added.

Students who achieve this certification will be ahead of other students with the same ambitions as they graduate from high school. Where they go to next is up to them as their certification is recognized throughout the world by colleges, technical schools, and employers.

"We should be careful to get out of an experience only the wisdom that it is and stop there; lest we be like the cat that sits down on a hot stove-lid. She will never sit down on a hot stove-lid again and that is well; but also she will never sit down on a cold one anymore." Mark Twain

Counselor's Corner

Seniors getting ready for college or trade/vocational school need to be sure to file the FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid) to be eligible for scholarships, grants, or loans.

Just a reminder for seniors that will be entering college in the fall-you must have a score of an 18 on the English and Math Section of the ACT or you will be placed in remedial classes for which you get no credit. The next ACT that will be offered here at Elliott County High is Saturday, April 8, 2006. Registration deadline for that test is March 3, 2006. Please see your guidance counselor for an ACT Registration packet or register on-line at www.act.org. Also on the website, www.act.org, is an on-line study guide and practice test for the ACT. Remember, our high school code is 183-270 and our test center code is 156700.

All students need to continue to watch your attendance record for absences or tardies, which do influence your grades!

Success Is About. . .

Setting Goals

Making Plans

Taking Responsibility

Following Through

Governor's Scholars Counseling At ECHS

Elliott County High was very honored on Thursday, January 5, 2006 to have representatives from the Governor's Scholar Program at our school to mentor our Governor's Scholars applicants. The Governor's Scholar Program is a stimulating, five-week residential summer program for outstanding Kentucky students completing

their junior year in high school. This program was established in 1983 and provides academic and personal growth in a challenging, non-traditional experience that balances a strong liberal arts program

with a full co-curricular and residential life experience.

To be eligible for nomination and selection, a student must:

- *Be in 11th grade at the time of selection and enrolled in a high school in Kentucky
- *Be a current resident of Kentucky
- *Intend to return to a Kentucky school district for the next term.

Students must be nominated by their school districts to be considered for admission. They attend free of charge, needing on "pocket" money for personal and incidental expenses.

The program offers Scholars a chance to know and make friends with other enthusiastic, energetic students with high intellectual capacities. The give and take among Scholars from different backgrounds is one of the most treasured aspects of the program.



Silena Skaggs takes time to mentor with a Governor's Scholar representative.

Coloboration, Technology, And Multimedia Help Share Wetlands Project With Other Schools In Kentucky

Wetlands as an educational tool are growing in popularity and several schools are looking to Elliott County as a model. Teachers at Louisville Male and Mason County requested that Mrs. McDavid give them some advice on building their own wetland. More than happy to help, she started planning the project. With the assistance of Cody Nickel, Jennifer Adkins, and Kendra Harper, (students in her 7th grade science class,) the making of the instructional video began.

To get some practice, Cody, Jennifer, and Kendra took Sandy Hook 6th graders on tours of the wetland, talking to them about the importance of the wetlands and how they could help protect them.

When the classes had been through the tour, the shooting of the video began. Cameron Griffith, a student in Mr. Griffith's "Special Photography" class shot the video. In the video the students discussed plant and animal life, the nature blind, and the benefits of having a wetland. They also discussed the many ways that the wetland could be used in the science classroom. The wetland is a living textbook. Students can learn about the water cycle, botany, food webs, soil, watersheds, and wildlife all

in one place and first-hand. A wetland can also be used as a tool to teach non-science subjects such as art, math, English and social studies. With so many

things to study, the same wetland can be used as a teaching tool from kindergarten all the way through high school and beyond!

Even though there were plenty of "bloopers" and retakes, the video turned out great! Shortly after the video was made, another school in Lawrence County requested some advice, for they too were interested in building a wetland. Mrs. McDavid sent them a copy of the tape.

We were happy to have helped spread the importance of protecting our wetlands and sharing the joy of helping Mother Nature! You too can make a difference!

By: Kendra Harper



Jennifer Adkins, Kendra Harper, Cody Nickel, and Cameron Griffith formed the production team for the wetlands video project. The joint effort produced video that was shared with other school districts in Kentucky who are interested in creating their own wetlands.



Premier Drug Screening employees complete paperwork during the faculty drug test.

students in grades 7-12. The next drug screening has been scheduled—no one will be informed of the date until the specimen collectors arrive at the collection site. The company contracted to provide this service was chosen based upon their reputation and past

Safe Learning Environment Number One Priority

As I have often stated, providing a safe learning environment is the top priority for both the members of the Elliott Co. Board of Education and myself. As part of our continuing efforts to provide such an environment, an unannounced, district-wide drug screening was recently conducted. All staff was required to participate, as well as a random sampling of the

successes working with school districts and in industry. They use the most advanced collection techniques available, including thermometers built into the collection cups to ensure that the sample being tested comes directly from the person being tested.

Once again I want to assure everyone that safety is our number one priority. Whether making decisions regarding snow days, conducting bus inspections and evacuations, providing extensive teacher professional development, or having students practice fire, tornado, and earthquake drills, our district is committed to student safety. If you have any concerns whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me because if I'm not aware of a problem, I can't find a solution for it. You may call my office (738-8002) between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or e-mail me anytime at jwilliams@elliott.k12.ky.us.

"Speak when you are angry and you will make the best speech you will ever regret." Ambrose Bierce

400,000 Volts Of Shocking Science

On Tuesday, January 10, 2006, the Sandy Hook Green Clovers 4-H Club had one of the most exciting club meetings that any of the members could remember! Mrs. Beth Logan and Mr. Alan Kuehner taught the club all about electricity.

Aside from learning some “shocking” facts, the club also got to see (and experience) just how electricity works. A variety of experiments were conducted, including measuring volts, making their own circuit motor, and experiencing how four hundred thousand (400,000) volts of pure static electricity could charge into a person, and be used for many exciting, entertaining, and interesting acts using an intriguing machine called the Van de Graaf.

The Van de Graaf was named after its creator, and while it is true that the one we used was small, Mr. Kuehner told me during an interview after the meeting that the largest Van de Graaf he has ever seen was about twenty feet high and in a huge glass tube, and it was charged with twelve to fourteen million (12,000,000-14,000,000) volts of electricity. This Van de Graaf is located in Brookhaven National Laboratory. The Van de Graaf was originally invented for high-voltage experiments, and is used today for similar projects, such as the one that we performed: Each team member got a turn to go up to the Van de Graaf and place their hand on its top while Mr. Kuehner charged it, sending up to 400,000 volts of static electricity throughout their bodies. Afterward, they could discharge either by shocking one of their teammates, or touching the end of a bulb filled with Neon or Zeon gases to cause it to light up.

We also learned from the Van de Graaf that things charged oppositely will attract, and things charged alike will repel. Mr. Kuehner placed tin pie plates on top of the Van de Graaf and turned on the power, sending the pie tins flying due to like charges.

Building motors was also fun, because the club got to learn about all kinds of

different types of motors and generators, including one that Mr. Kuehner brought in to the club that was made during the turn of the century (about 1900!)

The SHGC Club also learned that when you form a circuit, and have even the smallest breakage anywhere throughout the link, there would be no electrical flow. Other than battery power, there are two energy-efficient power sources that they learned about.

The club was presented with two flashlights: one with a button that you must pump to illuminate the bulb, and one that you must shake horizontally to shed light. In the old generator I earlier mentioned, you had to crank a handle to receive electrical power, much like the first flashlight. When you press the button over and over, parts inside the flashlight activate, and therefore illuminate the bulb within the structure. The flashlight that is shaken creates an electrical field within the device, which discharges onto the metal bottom of the bulb, lighting it up! Normal battery-powered flashlights would work just as our mini-generators did. The batteries would create a closed circuit once the metal touched either end of them, activating them and causing them to light the bulb.

Who ever knew that the Sandy Hook Green Clovers could discover so many shocking things about electricity in one day? Thank you for visiting, Miss Beth and Mr. Kuehner!

Brittany Mabry



This is the real thing! Anissa Whitt, and Natessa Thornsberry experience 400,000 volts of static electricity from the Van de Graaf machine as their hair stands on end. Mr. Alan Kuehner monitors the experiment.

“New Ideas pass through three periods: It can’t be done; It probably can be done, but not worth doing; I knew it was a good idea all along!” Arthur C. Clarke

ECHS Varsity Basketball Wins Raceland Derby Classic

Some students spend their Christmas break sitting on the couch, watching television, and relaxing. This was not the case for the Elliott County High School Varsity Basketball team, who spent almost half of their break at the Raceland-Worthington High School gymnasium competing in the 1st annual Raceland Derby Classic. On December 20-23, Elliott fought 4 battles with teams from all across the 16th region, beginning with the Greenup County Musketeers, which they defeated with a score of 68-58. Evan Faulkner was awarded Most Valuable Player (MVP).

Their second game was with Fairview, where they were victorious with a score of 70 versus Fairview's total of 65. Ronald Weddington was awarded the MVP. The next day, Elliott defeated Lawrence County with a score of 78-58. MVP went to Jonathan Ferguson. This win assured them of a place in the final game against Raceland.

Elliott County finished off their final

battle with a tournament victory. Raceland was defeated with a score of 61-56. The game MVP went to Ethan Faulkner.

Returning home, Elliott County was met at the county line with a parade of police cars, ambulances, and much more to escort them back to the gym. Congratulations Lions on a well played tournament.

David Ray Gillum



ECHS players celebrate during their home town parade and rally. Superintendent Williams met the team at the county line with fire trucks, law enforcement and approximately 52 automobiles to escort the Raceland Derby Classic Championship team home.

Lions Proudly Walk Away From Raceland Derby Classic with 4-0 Record *The Stat Trail Of Success*

Elliott 68 - Greenup 58 Team ~ FG 44.8%, FT 83.3%, 41.6% from 3pt
Ferguson 8 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner- 18 pts, 1 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner- 20 pts, 6 reb, 1 assist; Weddington- 6 pts, 11 reb, 10 assist; Greene-3 reb; Lewis-4 pts, 2 reb; T. Maynard- 10 pts, 2 reb;
Evan Faulkner received MVP

Elliott 70-Fairview 65 Team ~ FG 39%, FT 79.9%, 59.9% from 3pt
Ferguson 22pts, 6 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 7 pts, 5 reb, 7 assist; Evan Faulkner 21 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist; Weddington 14 pts, 13 reb, 6 assist; Lewis 5 pts, 1 assist; Maynard 2 pts
Ronald Weddington received MVP

Elliott 78- Lawrence 58 Team ~ FG 51.2%, FT 81.8%, 42.8% from 3pt
Ferguson 22pts, 6 reb, 4 assist; Ethan Faulkner 15 pts, 8 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 2 pts, 4 reb, 6 assist; Weddington 4 pts, 1 reb, 2 assist; Lewis 18 pts, 5 reb; Greene 3 pts, 1 reb; Maynard 10 pts, 2 reb; Knipp 2 pts, 1 assist; Flatt 2pts
Jonathon Ferguson received MVP

Elliott 61-Raceland 56 Team ~ FG 65.6%, FT 50%, 27.2% 3 pt
Ferguson 12pts, 3 reb; Ethan Faulkner 9pts, 3 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner 17pts, 3 reb, 4 assist; Weddington 15 pts, 10 reb, 2 assist; Lewis 8 pts, 5 reb; Maynard 2 reb
Ethan Faulkner received MVP

"It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it the size of the fight in the dog." Mark Twain

ECHS Boys Box Scores

Elliott 85 ~ Raceland 54

Jonathan Ferguson 15pts, 10 reb, 2 assist; Ethan Faulkner 22 pts, 6 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 5 pts, 5 reb, 3 assist; Ronald Weddington 7 pts, 10 reb, 4 assist; Nathan Lewis 9 pts, 3 reb; Tyler Maynard 7 pts, 2 reb; Josh Greene 10 pts, 6 reb, Chris Knipp 3pts, 1 assist; 2 pts

Elliott 55 ~ Bath 56

Jonathan Ferguson 25pts, 8 reb; Ethan Faulkner 6 pts, 7 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 10 pts, 3 reb, 3 assist; Ronald Weddington 2 pts, 6 reb, 3 assist; Nathan Lewis 8 pts, 5 reb; Tyler Maynard 1 assist; Josh Greene 4 pts, 7 reb

Elliott 93 ~ Owsley 53

Jonathan Ferguson 9pts, 3 reb, 3 assist; Ethan Faulkner 14 pts, 4 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner 8 pts, 6 reb, 2 assist; Ronald Weddington 12 pts, 5 reb, 2 assist; Nathan Lewis 4 pts, 3 reb, 1 assist; Tyler Maynard 4 pts; Josh Greene 13 pts, 5 reb, Bronson Flatt 2 pts, Jack Reynolds 2 pts, Nathan McDavid 2 pts, Jon Morgan 2 reb, Dustin Gilliam 4 pts

Elliott 75 ~ West 71

Jonathan Ferguson 29pts, 10 reb; Ethan Faulkner 18 pts, 6 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 3 pts, 2 reb; Ronald Weddington 11 pts, 13 reb, 6 assist; Nathan Lewis 6 pts, 1 reb, 1 assist; Tyler Maynard 7 pts, 1 reb; Josh Greene 1 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist

Elliott 76 ~ Green, OH 56

Jonathan Ferguson 19pts, 9 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 25 pts, 4 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner 14 pts, 3 reb, 2 assist; Ronald Weddington 4 pts, 5 reb, 1 assist; Nathan Lewis 11 pts, 1 assist; Tyler Maynard 3 pts; Josh Greene 2 reb; Greg Conn 1 reb

Elliott 83 ~ Boyd 93

Jonathan Ferguson 23pts, 8 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 4 pts, 2 reb, 4 assist; Evan Faulkner 15 pts, 3 reb, 2 assist; Ronald Weddington 21 pts, 6 reb, 4 assist; Nathan Lewis 7 pts, 2 reb; Tyler Maynard 7 pts, 2 reb, 2 assist; Josh Greene 4 pts, 3 reb, 1 assist

Elliott 82 ~ Bath 53

Jonathan Ferguson 21pts, 9 reb, 2 assist; Ethan Faulkner 24 pts, 4 reb, 1 assist; Evan Faulkner 18 pts, 2 reb, 4 assist; Ronald Weddington 6 pts, 5 reb, 3 assist; Nathan Lewis 5 pts, 3 reb; Tyler Maynard 2 pts, 2 reb, 2 assist; Chris Knipp 2 pts, 1 reb, 1 assist; Greg Conn 2 pts; Jack Reynolds 2 pts, 2 reb; Jon Morgan 1 reb

Elliott 68 - Greenup 58

Jonathan Ferguson 8 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner- 18 pts, 1 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner- 20 pts, 6 reb, 1 assist; Weddington- 6 pts, 11 reb, 10 assist; Greene-3 reb; Lewis 4 pts, 2 reb; T. Maynard 10 pts, 2 reb;

Evan Faulkner received MVP

Elliott 70-Fairview 65

Jonathan Ferguson 22pts, 6 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 7 pts, 5 reb, 7 assist; Evan Faulkner 21 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist; Weddington 14 pts, 13 reb, 6 assist; Lewis 5 pts, 1 assist; Maynard 2 pts

Ronald Weddington received MVP

Elliott 78- Lawrence 58

Jonathan Ferguson 22pts, 6 reb, 4 assist; Ethan Faulkner 15 pts, 8 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 2 pts, 4 reb, 6 assist; Weddington 4 pts, 1 reb, 2 assist; Lewis 18 pts, 5 reb; Greene 3 pts, 1 reb; Maynard 10 pts, 2 reb; Knipp 2 pts, 1 assist; Flatt 2pts

Jonathan Ferguson received MVP

Elliott 61-Raceland 56

Jonathan Ferguson 12pts, 3 reb; Ethan Faulkner 9pts, 3 reb, 2 assist; Evan Faulkner 17pts, 3 reb, 4 assist; Weddington 15 pts, 10 reb, 2 assist; Lewis 8 pts, 5 reb; Maynard 2 reb

Ethan Faulkner received MVP

Elliott 58~ Rowan 74

Jonathan Ferguson 21pts, 11 reb; Ethan Faulkner 9 pts, 4 reb, 1 assist; Evan Faulkner 3 pts, 2 reb, 1 assist; Ronald Weddington 12 pts, 9 reb, 2 assist; Nathan Lewis 3 pts, 1 reb, 1 assist; Tyler Maynard 8 pts, 3 reb; Josh Greene 2 pts, 1 reb, Chris Knipp 2 reb

Elliott 47 ~ East 43

Jonathan Ferguson 8pts, 4 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 10 pts, 2 reb, 5 assist; Evan Faulkner 6 pts, 1 reb, 1 assist; Ronald Weddington 10 pts, 9 reb, 2 assist; Nathan Lewis 2 pts, 2 reb; Tyler Maynard 9 pts; Josh Greene 2 pts, 2 reb

Elliott 68 ~ Allen Central 63

Jonathan Ferguson 20pts, 10 reb; Ethan Faulkner 15 pts, 3 reb, 3 assist; Evan Faulkner 13 pts, 6 reb, 3 assist; Ronald Weddington 9 pts, 5 reb, 4 assist; Nathan Lewis 6 pts, 3 reb, 2 assist; Tyler Maynard 5 pts, 1 assist; Chris Knipp 1 assist

Elliott 64~ Fleming 57

Jonathan Ferguson 6pts, 4 reb, 1 assist; Ethan Faulkner 9 pts, 2 reb, 4 assist; Evan Faulkner 15 pts, 1 reb, 2 assist; Ronald Weddington 8 pts, 14 reb, 4 assist; Nathan Lewis 2 pts, 3 reb; Tyler Maynard 18 pts, 1 reb; Josh Greene 6 pts, 3 reb; Chris Knipp 1 reb

ECHS Girls Box Scores

Lady Lions 42 vs Russell 81

Keisha Skaggs 3pts, Hallie Griffith 2pts, Brittany Rose 10pts, Renee Ison 2pts, Theresia Adkins 6pts, Shae Ferguson 9 pts, Lakin Griffith 4, Anndee Walter 2pts, Kelsey Ferguson 1pt, Jhonda Ison 1pt, Emily Whitley 2pts

Lady Lions 56 vs Bath 49

Shae Ferguson 8pts, Theresia Adkins 10pts, Brittany Rose 2pts, Hallie Griffith 16pts, Lakin Griffith 9pts, Kelsey Ferguson 7pts,

Lady Lions 26 vs West Carter 97

Shae Ferguson 2pts, Lakin Griffith 11pts, Kelsey Ferguson 4pts, Brittany Rose 5pts, Amber Middleton 2pts, Anndee Walter 2pts

Lady Lions 46 vs Morgan County 65

Shae Ferguson 9pts, Keisha Skaggs 2pts, Hallie Griffith 11pts, Theresia Adkins 5pts, Lakin Griffith 11pts, Kelsey Ferguson 6 pts, Nancy Greene 2pts

Lady Lions 46 vs Bath 40

Shae Ferguson 22pts, Kelsey Ferguson 2pts, Whitney Fannin 2pts, Hallie Griffith 5pts, Theresia Adkins 4pts, Lakin Griffith 10pts, Brittany Rose 1pt

Lady Lions 34 vs Bath 40

Shae Ferguson 12pts, Hallie Griffith 9pts, Theresia Adkins 6 pts, Brittany Rose 3pts, Kelsey Ferguson 1pt, Lakin Griffith 3pts

Lady Lions 49 vs Piarist 37

Shae Ferguson 20pts, Theresia Adkins 8pts, Theresia Adkins 2pts, Nancy Greene 4pts, Brittany Rose 8pts, Whitney Fannin 5pts, Anndee Walter 2pts

Lady Lions 67 vs Augusta 50

Shae Ferguson 25pts, Hallie Griffith 7pts, Lakin Griffith 20 pts, Theresia Adkins 4pts, Kelsey Ferguson 6pts, Brittany Rose 5pts

Lady Lions 39 vs Lewis 69

Shae Ferguson 7pts, Hallie Griffith 6pts, Lakin Griffith 7pts, Theresia Adkins 2pts, Kelsey Ferguson 6pts, Brittany Rose 2pts, Whitney Fannin 4pts, Amberleigh Middleton 5pts

Lady Lions 56 vs Riverside 31

Hallie Griffith 19pts, Lakin Griffith 6pts, Theresia Adkins 5pts, Kelsey Ferguson 12 pts, Brittany Rose 4pts, Keisha Skaggs 6pts, Whitney Fannin 2pts, Jhonda Ison 2pts

Lady Lions 48 vs Wolfe County 84

Hallie Griffith 12pts, Lakin Griffith 11pts, Theresia Adkins 2pts, Keisha Skaggs 2pts, Brittany Rose 3pts, Kelsey Ferguson 9pts, Renee Ison 2pts, Jhonda Ison 7pts

All Out

All Game

All Season

... Nuff Said

"Dance like no one is watching. Sing like no one is listening. Love like you've never been hurt and live like it's heaven on Earth." Mark Twain

Computer Lab At ECHS 7th & 8th Grade

Elliott County High School seventh and eighth graders are sneaking looks into their computer lab as the technology staff unpacks 30 new EMAC computers. The new computer lab is quite an upgrade from the original lab the school has been using. The former, antiquated computers were from the first implementation of computers in the early 90's. "Some of these machines are the original 1990 purchases," commented Randy Evans, the district's Chief Information Officer and District Technology Coordinator. The computers had been upgraded to a terminal/Citrix environment which allowed them to run Windows 2000, but they were not multimedia capable, which excluded the potential of using the new United Streaming initiative that began this year.

The lab upgrade was made possible by a grant from the Kentucky Department of Commercialization and Innovation to speed drug discovery research. In conjunction with the University of Louisville, new computers are being placed in schools for educational and drug research use.

"The internet makes this possible as the University of Louisville can send out their research to a grid of computers throughout the state. The

computers will process drug research overnight and when students are logged out during lunch and breaks," explained Evans. "The new computers will



Technician Casey Waddell images new computers in the new ECHS 7th and 8th grade lab.

be fully multimedia capable, providing our students and teachers the full potential of the technology," Evans added.

In addition to the new computers, the lab has received a major overhaul including new paint, new computer tables, chairs and window treatment. Future upgrades to the lab will include a smart board, projector, and wireless laptop connections.



Jason Hale and Randy Hampton (pro musicians) share the road to professionalism with ECHS Students

Self-Discipline, Focused Study, High Goals Shared By Pro Musicians At ECHS

Professional musicians Randy Hampton and Jason Hale shared their path to success with students at Elliott County High School Thursday January 12. "The traits and practices that lead to success are common in all professions," drummer Randy Hampton stressed. The lesson to ECHS students included acting professional, being focused, and setting high goals.

Both Hampton and Hale have been playing professionally for years. They are currently playing for the same band and touring the country.

"Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you." Carl Sandburg

Monthly Attendance Winners

Sandy Hook Elementary



Front Row: Left to Right Kurtis Stamper, David Mollette, Matthew Conley, Anissa Whitt, Alex Conley, Michael Howard.
2nd Row: L to R Terry Cutright, Amanda Adkins, Katie Wagoner, Nicholas Porter, Andrea Howard, Shonda Adkins, Brittany Mabry, Michael Kar
Back Row: L to R Sienna O'Neal, Erica Chuculate, Barbara June Smith, Karleigh Fraley, Kimberly Thornberry, Kevin Elliott, Dewayne Dennis, Joseph Salyers, Mrs. Williams

Elliott County High School 7th Grade



Front Row: L to R Faith Thornsberry, Ricky Wilson, Craig Faulkner, Zach Neace, Johnny Eldridge, Raymond Thornsberry, Jhonda Ison, Kelsey Ferguson, Emily Whitley, Amberleigh Middleton, Corbin McDowell, Tiffany Lewis, Melissa Burton, Bradley Stamper
2nd Row: L to R Megan Helton, Daniel Fraley, Anndee Walter, Brittany Adkins, Andrew Williamson, Trever Gilliam, Nick Moore, Nick Lewis, Dane Kiser, Larissa Oliver, Laken Stevens, Kristen Holbrook, Kyra Rose
3rd Row: L to R Nina Shaw, Shelby Brickey, Hali Whitt, Morgan Boggs, Erin Waddell, Jordan Adkins, Taylor Ison, Tyler Skaggs, Jessica Eldridge, Roady Maxie, John Randolph
4th Row: L to R Jazzmine Ramey, Ashley Line, Danielle Bowling, Shawn Ballard, Chris Lowe, Jacob Preece, Donovan Adkins, Cheyenna Thompson, Arianna Simmons, Melinda Lewis, Naomi Smith
Back Row: L to R Andrea Lyon, Emily Eldridge, Caitlin Segall, Tara Ison, Brandon Conn, Shawn Skaggs, Joe Ratcliff, Jacob Wilder, Rodney Laney, Angie Salyers, Jessica Salyers

Elliott Co. Youth Team Turns Up The "HEAT" In Boyd Co. League

The HEAT, a youth basketball team, has represented Elliott Co. well with their outstanding court play. The young team has competed in a 4th grade league and also in several tournaments in Boyd Co. Thus far, the Heat has a record of 13—1, including two tournament wins—The Little Hardwood Tip-Off and the Ashland Holiday Tournament.

Coaches Charles Nickell and Kevin Griffith, along with HEAT, fans are very proud of this great group of ballplayers, and have high hopes for them down the road, as future Elliott Co. Lions.



Front Row L to R: Landon Griffith, Chase Porter, Reece Griffith
Back Row L to R: Isaiah Griffith, Ryan Gillum, Logan Nickell, Hunter Holbrook

Isonville Elementary



Front Row ; L to R Rebbeca Wagoner, James Eldridge, James Conley, Sarah Akers
2rd Row ; L to R Isaiah Wagoner, Raymond Bishop, Jordan Wells, Nicole Smith Joshua Sloas, Naomi Baker, Deanna Brickey, Presley Ramey
3rd Row; L to R Mrs. Martin, Amber Adkins, Haskell Kelley, James Baker, Gabe Ison, Nathan Holbrook, James Williamson, Anna Skaggs, Mrs. Dickerson

Lakeside Elementary



Front Row: L to R Chelsea Easterling, Jesse Holbrook, Caleb Maggard, Shonda Randolph, Jeremy Thurman, Christopher Mabry
Back Row: L to R Talonna Cox, Jade Page, Thomas Holbrook, Cody Garris, Dillon Crump, Elijah Gilley, Jeffery Lawhorn

"Money never made a man happy yet, nor will it. There is nothing in its nature to produce happiness. The more a man has, the more he wants. Instead of filling a vacuum, it makes one." Benjamin Franklin

Performing Arts Center Construction Begins

ECHS Students Make All District Band

Youth Swim Team Realizes Hard Work

Four ECCHS Students Pass CompTIAA+ Certification

FASFA and Governor's Scholars Info

Sharing Wetlands With Other KY Districts

Safe Learning Environment Number One Priority

Shocking Science

Varsity Basketball Wins Derby Classic

Basketball Box Scores

New Computer Lab At ECCHS 7th And 8th Grade

Professional Musicians Share Goal Setting Techniques

Superintendents Message

Democracy, as defined by Webster's dictionary is "government by the people; *especially* rule of the majority. A government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation usually involving periodically held free elections." As Superintendent, my duties involve ensuring that all students within the district are taught the principles of the government under which they live. In my view, democracy is not simply part of the core curriculum mandated by the Kentucky Department of Education; it is a set of core values that I personally live by. Students must be educated to make informed decisions in order to wisely exercise the rights granted them by the United States Constitution. The right to vote in a free election is a basic part of the belief system of the citizens of the United States. As Superintendent I wholeheartedly support this right.

It is my opinion that the superintendent of schools should tend to the duties mandated by the state, maintaining focus on enhancing the education of our children. This, in itself, is a full-time job, leaving no time for me to "dabble" in any local politics unrelated to school business. I intend to participate in the democratic process by casting my vote for the candidates that I choose. I will not interfere in the rights of others to make their own decisions by discussing my political views with others. In a democracy, **everyone** has the right and the responsibility to choose the candidate that **they** feel is best fitted for each position. I encourage all parents to discuss the importance of democracy with their children. Also, I encourage everyone to exercise their right to vote by casting their ballot on Election Day. Remember, if you don't vote, you do not have a valid reason to complain if the candidate you support is not elected.

Superintendent John C. Williams

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