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Commerce High School

Home of the Tigers

Special events in our School

- **Crowning Miss Merry Christmas**
 - Will Rogers Assembly
 - Band performing a several area parades

Individual Highlights:

Football members receive top honors in the district.

Tiger Power is awesome again!

The Commerce Tigers football team, lead by the Coach of the year, Rick Trimble, made it the third round of the playoffs again this year. They were District and Bi-District Champs.

The buses left Commerce for On Friday, November 28 for Washington. We took three charter buses to the game and a large number of people drove. Our side of the stands was packed.

We all felt sure that our team had the makings for State Champs. The game was a difficult loss because our boys did not play the way they know how.

We are proud of the season that we had. We ended with an 11 and 2 record this season. We are proud that many members of the team were honored as All- district players.

Awards

Nick Cook - Receiver of the year

Tyler Williams- Running Back of the year

Greg Cossairt- Linebacker of the year

Mike Cooper- Defensive lineman of the year

Derek Boman- MVP

ACT Pre-Test and College Planning

We are still working through the student body on the ACT pre-test that will help our student prepare for the actual test. We will be testing all of the students in the school!

The first time students take the test they may choose the timed or the not timed method. The timed method will give them a real feel for taking the actual ACT test. The un-timed test will allow them a chance to really look at the questions and understand what is expected of them on the exam.

The seniors have already turned in there career term papers. They are also visiting with Mr. White about College plans. Students will need to begin filling out entrance packets and financial aide packets very soon.

The school is currently working of testing all of the freshman. This will be great for the students who have an opportunity to take this practice test several times. Our school scores should increase and we should have a greater number of students taking the test after a few years of this testing.



Band wins again

The Band hits the parades

The Commerce High School marching band performed in four parades this weekend.

They were in the Picher, Quapaw, Commerce, and Miami parades on Saturday, December 6, 2003.

They received a 1st place trophy from the Commerce parade.

The band will be performing a concert on December 15, 2003 at 7:00 pm at the NEO A& M Fine Arts building. This concert will feature the Middle School Band, the High School Band and the Choir.

Miss Merry Christmas

Students choose a young lady to represent the school each year as Miss Merry Christmas. This year they chose Bethany Bunch. Her court is as follows: Marci Wade, Missy Murphy, Mandy Millhollin, and Amanda Gleaves. We congratulate all of these young ladies on being selected by the students to represent our school in the community activities over the Christmas season.

STUCO

Five members of the Commerce Student Council were allowed to attend the State Student Council Convention held in Tulsa this year.

Students are invited to stay with host families during this yearly convention. Each year a different school is responsible for hosting the group.

Students had a great time learning about their impact on the world around them and meeting new people. They were treated to several activities during the evening such as a casino night where they could win prizes. It is always a great learning experience for

students to get a chance to meet and interact with students from other larger schools.

Prom: The prom date has finally been set for May 7. The place has not been finalized, but they are looking at Loma Linda in Joplin.

"If you could sum up the last year of your life, what would you say?"



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FCCLA

FCCLA recently sponsored a speaker who impersonated Will Rogers.

Gene McFall performed at the High School on Wednesday, December 3, 2003 at 10:45. He has performed all over the world, introducing people to importance of Will Rogers. Students

were allowed to join in by trying some of his rope tricks.

The High School Christmas Assembly will be held on December 19, 2003 at 2:00 pm. Miss Merry Christmas and her court will be present.