

April Tiger Chat



April Shower's bring May flowers



CHS STUDENTS RECEIVE HIGHEST AWARD AT DISTRICT HISTORY DAY

Several Commerce High School students produced excellent results at the annual District history day academic competition that took place for area schools at Northeastern A & M College.

The District event is the first step of the competition trail for State and National History Day. First, second, and third finishers at the District level advance to the State competition on April 30 at the State Capitol in Oklahoma City. First and second place finishers at the state level qualify for the national competition.

National History Day requires that whatever topic students be interpreted through the theme which is "Conflict and Compromise" this year. District History Day is a result of five months of research and hard work. The competition allows the students the opportunity to showcase their research, creativity, and opportunity to discuss their findings with a team of judges.

DISTRICT HISTORY DAY 2008

Jeanna Logan, Jesse Black, and Jennie Ward -Group Exhibit- 1st Place Senior Division "Living the Dream."

Magaly Prado, Chelsea McQuigg, and Blanca Martinez- Group exhibit- 2nd place Senior Division- "Forever Changed"

Ally Burt, Trae Ratliff, Sean Richard, and Kourtney Reading- Group exhibit- 3rd place Senior Division- "Journey of Hope"

"Living the Dream" exhibit also tied with another school for the Grand Prize.

The next step for these outstanding CHS students is advancing to the State History Day competition on April 30th. If they win there, they get to compete at the National History Day in Washington D.C. during the summer! GOOD LUCK!

By: Brenna Little

April Birthday's

Winston Brester 4/10

Rachel Burnside 4/28

Jordan Glover 4/25

Derrick Hayworth 4/21

Britney Hines 4/7

Ashley Huff 4/12

Jacob Karleskint 4/2

Amanda Montgomery 4/10

Amanda Morton 4/24

Sharron O'Brien 4/8

Dulce Prado 4/10

Roberto Prado 4/14

Marisela Salinas 4/15

Amanda Scott 4/22

James Sullivan 4/22

Kyle Thrower 4/27

Mandy Watson 4/25



By: Jordan Murphy

Cook Up A Recipe For Test Taking!

Recipe for Success on tests:

- 1 night of restful sleep
 - 1 nutritious breakfast
 - 1 positive attitude
 - 1 No. 2 pencil, to record what students have learned
 - 1 pencil grip, to help stay on the task at hand
 - 1 eraser, to use when students, check their work
 - 1 pack of smarties candies to “boost” test-taking brainpower
 - 1 hug in appreciation for hard work put into the test
- YIELDS:** Improved test-taking skills and better grades



Using this or your own recipe for test-taking success, parents and guardians can help their children do their best during test times this month! Students across the state will be taking the Oklahoma Core Curriculum Tests in Grades 3 through 8 and “end of instruction” exams in high school!

These tests are mandated by state law and required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

Let the children know that these tests help them by showing their parents and teachers how much each student has learned, and that doing well can help build pride in their schools as well!

We hope your family and Oklahomans in every community will cook up extra support for children, parents and teachers in your school during the annual state testing days in April and May...

- By: Sandy Garrett (State Superintendent)

Submitted by: Brenna Little

Top Rated Movies of All Time

- 1.The Shawshank Redemption
- 2.The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King
- 3.The Godfather
- 4.Star Wars
- 5.Raiders of the Lost Ark
- 6.Schindler's List
- 7.The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring
- 8.The Empire Strikes Back
- 9.Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl
- 10.The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers

Bottom Rated Movies of All Time

1. The Hottie and the Nottie
- 2.Gigli
- 3.Super babies: Baby Geniuses 2
- 4.The House of the Dead
- 5.Starship Troopers 2: Hero of the Federation
6. Swept Away
7. Home Alone 4
- 8.From Justin to Kelly
- 9.Battlefield Earth
- 10.Alone in the Dark

By: Rachel Burnside

The Death of Frank - A Memorial

By Sarah Campbell

Frank will be mourned by those that knew him best. He was a very loyal, efficient phone, quite possibly the best out there. It will be very hard to replace him, maybe even impossible. God knows we can try, but it will most likely be futile.

Frank was sitting in the pocket of Sarah's hoodie when that fatal moment struck. As Sarah was reaching to put the toilet seat cover down, Frank slipped out of her pocket and plunged into the cold abyss. Sarah tried valiantly to save him, but to no avail. He stuttered and flashed for a while, but eventually the life finally left him, taking all the phone numbers with him. When she opened the back cover and saw that the white dot had turned red, she knew it was over.

Frank would never light up again.

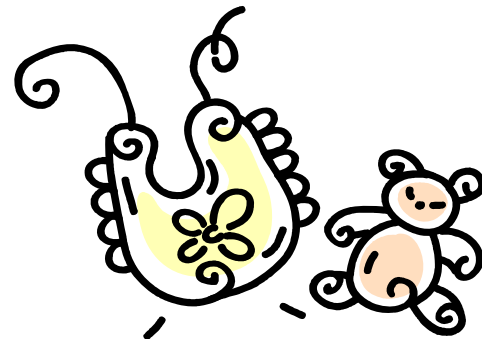
Top 10 Baby Names of 2006

Rank	Boys	Girls
1	Jacob	Emily
2	Michael	Emma
3	Joshua	Madison
4	Ethan	Isabella
5	Matthew	Ava
6	Daniel	Abigail
7	Christopher	Olivia
8	Andrew	Hanna
9	Anthony	Sophia
10	Williams	Samantha

What is your favorite name?

Turn in your vote for the best name to any member of the newspaper staff by May 10.

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Top 10 Baby Names of the 1950's

Rank	Boys	Girls
1	James	Mary
2	Michael	Linda
3	Robert	Patricia
4	John	Susan
5	David	Deborah
6	William	Barbara
7	Richard	Debra
8	Thomas	Karen
9	Mark	Nancy
10	Charles	Donna

Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Mrs. Ng for being chosen the 2008 Commerce High School teacher of the year!



Cary Ng Graduated from Miami High School. Upon graduation she went on to NEO, UCO, and then finished at the University of Tennessee. She has been teaching for 18 years. She taught at Afton for 4 years, Picher for 12, and Commerce for 2. She has previously taught computers, algebra/geometry, and has been a counselor at all three schools. She was very surprised to receive this recognition considering not many counselors are awarded this achievement.

Thank you Mrs. Ng for all you do because we would be lost without you!



By: Jordan Murphy
And Rachel Burnside

Smoking Stinks

The Family and Consumer Science class at Commerce High School recently did a smoking survey. Out of 200 questions, the following responses were recorded:

1. What age did you start smoking? 4 said 7 yrs old, 5 said 9 yrs, 6 said 10 yrs old, 10 said 11 yrs old, 13 said 12yrs old, 14 said 13 yrs old, 22 said 15 yrs old, 39 said 16 yrs old, 12 said 17 yrs old, 15 said 18yrs old , 7 said 19 yrs old, 8 said 20 yrs old, 6 said 21 yrs old, 3 said 23 yrs old, 2 said 14 yrs old, 2 said 24 yrs old, 6 said 25 yrs old, and 1 said 26 yrs old.
2. What do you believe caused you to smoke at that age?(circle all that apply)
Fifty-three- parents smoked, Fifty-two- peers smoked, Fourty-eight- everyone was doing it, Fifty-three- just wanted to experience, Eight- cigarettes were provided in the military, Twenty -seven-other reasons . The conclusion was that parents and peers have a great influence.
3. What was one good thing about smoking ? The majority answered “Nothing”, while some indicated smoking relieved stress , was relaxing, took away nervous feelings, and helped keep weight down.
4. What was one bad thing about smoking? The majority of answers indicated it cost too much, smells bad, causes cancer, is addicting, causes coughing, is hard on the body, stains teeth and makes skin and breath bad.
5. Are you glad you started smoking or do you wish you had never started? 166 wished they had never started and twenty-six said they were glad they had started.

6. What would you like to tell people?

Ninety-nine said “don't start”.

Twenty-eight said it was hard to quit.

Thirteen said smoke if you want to

Nine said don't let your friends convince you.

Seven said it was a bad habit to start.

Five said it wasn't healthy.

Three said it was too expensive.

And the remaining gave reasons that it causes cancer, you will get caught, quit before it's too late, it makes you stink, it can kill you, and watch what you are doing. One person said do it, its cool.



By: Rachel Ross

Senior Survey's

Name: Derrick James Hayworth
 Birthday: April 21, 1989
 Favorite people: Jesus, Ms. B, Justin Berry, Derek Spriggs, Matt Morrison
 Favorite color: Blue
 Favorite song: Breathing Slowly By Crossfade
 Favorite band/singer: Crossfade, Saving Abel
 Favorite show/movie: Super Bad
 Favorite dessert: white cake and milk
 Favorite actor/actress: Will Ferrell
 Favorite class: Ms. B's 2nd hour English
 Funniest friend: Justin Berry
 Loudest friend: Justin Berry
 Boyfriend/Girlfriend: Nah, Maybe!
 Best memory: Chasing Spriggs on the golf cart at Matthew's house.
 Worst memory: Getting ran over by Spriggs on the golf cart
 Embarrassing moment: When I was at Picher and they put my picture all over the school!
 Pet peeves: rude people
 Favorite saying: "Grab a small child and use it as a shield."
 Favorite teacher: Ms. B
 Favorite sport: Football
 Favorite ice cream: Cookie Dough
 Favorite restaurant: McDonalds
 Who do you admire? Dane Cook
 Favorite place to shop: Wal-mart
 Favorite carnival ride: Ferris Wheel
 What advice do you leave the underclassmen? Don't rap in front of the school unless your prepared to repeat the same rap everyday for the rest of the year!

Name: Rachel Lynn Ross
 Birthday: 3-15-90
 Favorite people: Ashlee Jade & Amanda
 Favorite color: Purple
 Favorite song: Hypnotized by Gemini
 Favorite show/movie: Super Bad
 Favorite dessert: Cheesecake
 Favorite class: Ms. B's
 Funniest friend: Ashlee
 Loudest friend: Jade
 Best memory: Winning State for Cheer
 Worst memory: Finding out about my brain tumor
 Pet peeves: Cucumber
 Favorite teacher: Ms. B
 Favorite sport: Football
 Favorite ice cream: Vanilla
 Favorite restaurant: Olive Garden
 Who do you admire? My mom
 Favorite place to shop: American Eagle
 Favorite carnival ride: Don't know?
 What advice do you leave the underclassmen? Don't regret anything, just don't make the same mistake twice!

By Kylee Williams

Freshmen Survey's

By: Brenna Little

Name: Scott Fisher
Birthday: November 2, 1992
Favorite people: Charlie, Carlos, Matt, Chris G., Pinky
Favorite color: Red
Favorite song: Bleed It Out
Favorite band: The Used
Favorite show/movie: Dumb and Dumber
Favorite dessert: Oreo
Favorite class: English 1
Funniest friend: Chris
Loudest friend: Charlie
Boyfriend/girlfriend: NOPE!
Best memory: 8th grade year
Worst memory: Parents getting divorced
Favorite saying: Crab Legs!
Embarrassing moment: Tripping in Baseball
Pet peeves: People chewing out loud
Favorite teacher: Mr. Pickens
Favorite sport: Baseball
Favorite ice cream: Oreo Blizzard
Favorite restaurant: Outback Steak House
Who do you admire? All my friends
Favorite place To shop: Academy
Favorite carnival ride: Sizzler
What do you like about high school so far? It's pretty cool

Name: Shaylee Renee Smith
Birthday: December 28
Favorite people: Friends and Family
Favorite color: Purple
Favorite song: Bleeding Love
Favorite band/singer: Chris Brown
Favorite show/movie: Now & Then
Favorite dessert: Ice cream
Favorite actor/actress: Sarah Jessica Parker
Favorite class: Computers
Funniest friend: Courtney Watson
Loudest friend: Kenzie Stogsdill
Boyfriend/girlfriend: No
If not, do you have a crush? Can't tell ya.
Best memory: 1-31-08
Worst memory: January 26
Favorite saying: Go Jackie!
Favorite teacher: Coach Wilson
Favorite sport: Softball
Favorite ice cream: Strawberry
Favorite restaurant: El Charros
Favorite place to shop: Hollister or AE
Who do you admire? Kourtney R., Kenzie S., Jacey K.
Favorite carnival ride: The Himalaya
What do you like about high school so far? It's Cool!

2008 Regional Track Meet at Tahlequah

Congratulations to our state track meet qualifiers. In order to participate at the state level each athlete or team has to place in the top three at their regional meet. If they place fourth or fifth they can qualify to go to state if their time is faster than the fourth, fifth, or sixth places at the other regional meets in their class.

The Lady Tigers team consisted of senior, Lindsey Heatherly; Juniors, Latrisha Hall, Adrienne Herrera, and Magaly Prado; and freshmen, Jacey Knight and Taylor Stevenson.

Lady Tiger track regional results:

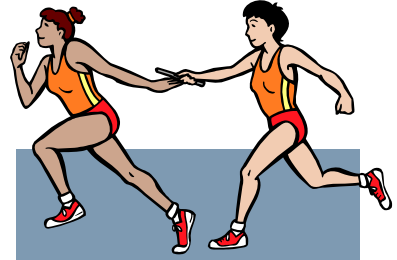
Lindsey Heatherly, Adrienne Herrera, Jacey Knight, and Taylor Stevenson placed second in the 400 relay and third in the 800 relay. Jacey Knight also placed second in the 100meter dash. Tigers, Taylor Stevenson and Magaly Prado, took second and third place in the 100 meter hurdles, as well as first and second in the 300 meter hurdles. In the field events Latrisha Hall placed third in the discus. Great job ladies!

Tiger track regional results:

The 400 relay consisting of seniors, James Sullivan and Jimmy Brock; sophomore, Ryan Nowlin; and freshman, Bryson Sullivan placed second. The 1600 relay team (Freshmen: Scott Fisher, Bryson Sullivan and Juniors: Luke Manning and Zach Barnes) placed third. The 3200 relay team (Juniors: Zach Barnes and Luke Manning and freshmen: Luis Arizpe and Scott Fisher) placed fourth. Luis also placed fourth in the 1600 meter run. Ryan Nowlin got first place in the 100 and 200 meter dashes and also in the 300 hurdles. James Sullivan placed fourth in the 200 meter dash, and third in the 100 meter dash. Dusty Williams took first in the 110 hurdles, second in the 300 hurdles, and fifth in the high jump. Dylan Hutson got fifth in the pole vault. Danny Crittendon placed first in the shot put and third in the discus. Jimmy Brock took fifth in the long jump. Great job tigers!



Good luck to both the girls and boys track teams at state on Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 3. Go for the gold!



Top 15 teams liked at CHS

Baseball

1. St. Louis
2. Yankees
3. Yankees
4. Yankees
5. Yankees
6. Yankees
7. Boston
8. Boston
9. Yankees
10. Boston
11. Yankees
12. Cardinals
13. Yankees
14. Yankees
15. Boston

Football

1. Rams
2. Cowboys
3. Denver
4. Chiefs
5. Saints
6. Cowboys
7. Chiefs
8. Steelers
9. Titans
10. Chiefs
11. Colts
12. Red Skins
13. Chiefs
14. Colts
15. Dolphins



By: Matt, James, and Derek

Typed by: Jordan and Rachel