

Local colleges sign agreements with Fort Hays State University

Elementary education majors who begin their education at Colby and Garden City community colleges will now be able to make a seamless transfer to Fort Hays State University to continue their education after the two colleges signed 2-plus-2 agreements with Fort Hays State University this fall.

Because there is such a shortage of elementary teachers today, this signing is a great way to make the path towards a degree simpler and clearer, allowing more individuals to complete their education and seek licensure in Kansas.

According to Dr. Germaine Taggart, chair of the Department

of Teacher Education at Fort Hays State University, the partnership will enable those who are seeking degrees in the areas of elementary education and early childhood education to make an easier transfer.

Community college representatives have met with Fort Hays State University for several years to discuss programs and procedures that would aid students in their transition to the school.

These discussions resulted in the 2-plus-2 agreements with Kansas' community colleges, the most recent being the two with Colby Community College and Garden City Community

College.

This agreement allows community college students who are working towards an associate degree to know exactly what classes are needed at the community college and at Fort Hays State University to eventually earn a bachelor's degree.

Both the elementary education and early childhood unified teaching degrees are offered online, in class or a combination of both.

Hopeful teachers can take classes that work around their busy schedules, suit their needs and give them hands-on experience in the teaching field.

Entries being accepted for contest

Entries are being accepted for the 2009 Kansas Factual Story Contest. The annual contest sponsored by the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas encourages preserving in writing factual, unpublished happenings and anecdotes in the lives of Kansans.

Olive Ann Beech of Wichita has provided cash awards for the winners for over 30 years.

Following her death, this support has been continued by her daughter Mary Lynn Oliver, also of Wichita.

This contest encourages the preservation of stories which provide a glimpse into the lives of the real world Kansans in times past, stories which might not otherwise

be preserved by written word. The stories give poignant and humorous insight into the lives of early Kansans.

Beech Memorial cash awards are: \$175 for first place; \$125 for second place; \$100 for third place and \$50 for two honorable mentions.

Contest rules are simple: Stories should have taken place in Kansas in earlier days, be limited to 750 words, be true and unpublished.

The contest is open to anyone, and only one story may be entered per person.

A panel of judges from the Kansas State Historical Society will judge the stories.

Entries must be submitted by email to knsnd@sbcglobal.net.

Entries must be received by Nov. 27.

Only winning entries will be contacted by the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas.

Winners will be recognized at the Native Sons and Daughters Annual Banquet set for Jan. 29, 2010, at Maner Conference Center in the Kansas Expocentre in Topeka.

The Banquet is open to all who wish to join for an evening of honoring and celebrating the Great State of Kansas.

Distinguished Kansans will also be honored at the event.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Norton High School

Monday

RED RIBBON BLITZ

FHSU Marching Festival

9 a.m. MCL Meeting @ Plainville

A.P. Fort Hays State University Representative available

4 p.m. Scholars' Bowl @ Stockton

Tuesday

MOCK CEMETERY AND SEAT BELT CHECKS

7:30 a.m. Jay Singers

9 a.m. FCCLA District Officers' Meeting - Hoxie

A.P. Colby Community College Representative available

7:30 p.m. Vocal Concert @ East Campus Auditorium

Wednesday

WEAR RED DAY

A.P. S.A.C.

5 p.m. Site Council

Thursday

RED RIBBONS & SUCKERS PASSED OUT AT FB GAME

7:30 a.m. Jay Singers

7 p.m. Football vs. Goodland (H)

SENIOR NIGHT: FOOTBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, TENNIS

Friday

State Volleyball in Salina

S.A.C. Hats on Day

A.P. Jazz Band Practice

1:30 P.M. Sociology Field Trip to the Norton Correctional Facility

8 p.m. KAY Costume Dance - JH Gym

Saturday

State Volleyball in Salina

State Cross Country in Wamego

Junior High School

Tuesday

7:30 p.m. Vocal Concert @ East Campus Auditorium

Wednesday

Red Ribbon Day

5:30 p.m. Site Council

School Menus

High School/Junior High School

Monday

Breakfast: Breakfast tornado, fruit or juice or toast, cereal, milk

Lunch: Beef & noodles, mashed potatoes, carrots, bread, fruit or chef salad, milk

Friday

Breakfast: Breakfast round, fruit or juice or toast, cereal, milk

Lunch: Turkey & swiss roll-up, corn, potato salad, fruit or chef salad, milk

Elementary School

Monday

Breakfast: Monkey bread, grape juice, milk

Lunch: Taco crunch, corn, tossed salad, chocolate cake, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuit, apple juice, milk

Lunch: Ham and cheese, homemade bun, pepper strips, pork and beans, pears, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Banana bread, peaches, milk, orange juice

Lunch: Chicken supreme, green beans, baby carrots, fruit basket upset, milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Sausage patty w/biscuit, apple juice, milk

Lunch: Ham and beans, celery stick, cornbread, applesauce, jello, cookie, milk

Friday

Breakfast: Hot french toast, warm maple syrup, pears, milk, orange juice

Lunch: BBQ beef, homemade bun, potato salad, dill spear, banana pudding, milk

Northern Valley

Monday

No School - PT conference in L.I. from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair in the music room at L.I. from 12:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

2 p.m. - 6 p.m. GS Dance camp in the big gym at Almena

TBD BB Rules meeting at

Hays

Tuesday

PreK-8 Red Ribbon Week

Using Accelerated Reading Effectively meeting at Kearney

TBD HS Dance team Halloween party

Thursday

6:30 p.m. HS FB vs Wallace County at Almena

Little girls dance camp performs at 1/2 time of FB game

Friday

HS State VB at Hays

2 p.m. K-6 Halloween Parade at 2 p.m. and classroom parties at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday

State CC at Wamego

HS State VB at Hays

Lunch Menus

Monday

No School

Tuesday

Breakfast: Sausage bagel, scrambled eggs, grape juice, cereal

Lunch: Ham patty, dill spear, mashed potatoes, pork-n-beans, sliced peaches, cookie

Wednesday

Breakfast: Doughnuts, ham slice, hash-browns, banana half, cereal

Lunch: Nachos w/ ground beef, tossed salad, buttered corn, fruity jello

Thursday

Breakfast: Cherry muffin, sausage patty, scrambled eggs, fruit, cereal

Lunch: Beef vegetable soup, crackers, cheese sticks, pear half, cinnamon bun

Friday

Breakfast: Sausage roll up, eggs, hash-browns, mandarin oranges, cereal

Lunch: Chicken Enchiladas, tossed salad, buttered green beans, lemon pie

Fire

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She said the fire marshall said the fire was caused by an electric wire inside the wall in the bathroom.

"It could have been smoldering for months or it could have malfunctioned," she said.

Unterseher said they are staying at Terry Nelson's home near Long Island.

"We have great neighbors. We're doing pretty good," she said.

Unterseher works at the United Northwest Federal Credit Union in Norton. Monetary and other donations can be made at the credit union.

"We're taking anything anyone is willing to donate," said Kendra Baker, loan processor.

"I want to thank the fire departments, emergency medical services, my neighbors and the Nelsons for everything," Unterseher said.

The Untersehers had been trying to sell their home so they could move to Norton. The home was going to be listed with a realtor late this week. They are not sure what they will do now.

Council

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"I was concerned with all of the details and rules and regulations that are to be followed and maintained. I am proud to say that we had another clean audit and the budget was followed and that there were no amendments that had to be made in order to comply," he said.

"I feel that it is a major achievement when you consider all of the uncertainty and unknown factors involved with the big water and waste water projects that the city has been working on," he said.

Lawson said he is happy the council has gotten more involved in the budget.

"I feel that it is better if we are all working toward the same goals, and that we all understand that we are working for the citizens of the community and the community as a whole," he said.

Lawson said the city's daily operations are being met, and the city is moving in a positive direction.

"We have progressed into a very active community with a lot to offer our residents, both young and elderly alike," Lawson said.

"I am looking forward to serving this community in the future, and meeting the challenges and demands that are introduced to

us by this ever changing world that we all live in. It has been a pleasure serving as your administrator for the last eight years, and I look forward to many more great years," he said.

Lawson asked each council member to give their individual assessment of him. Each council member said they wanted better communication.

Kim Snyder wanted more communication because she felt a lot of things were dropped on them in the last year. Toby Kuhn said he wanted consistency from Lawson.

"This has been a very trying year," he said.

Jeff Otter discussed the council needing to listen better but would like deadlines from Lawson.

"I work for you," Lawson said.

Mayor David Corns said the council needs to ask questions if they don't understand something, saying he and Lawson communicate well.

In other commission business:

- Lawson said a \$1,000 donation has been made to parks. He also reported on the revenue loss, saying information has been handed out to the council.

- Lawson said he received a complaint from Norton County

Sheriff Troy Thomson regarding the letterhead used by the municipal court. He said it looks like a scam, although it is not, and asked the council to consider the issue.

- Diane Stiles, Norton City/County Economic Development director, was present to ask the council to write letters of support for the Dr. Lyons House for a grant application.

- A motion was made to have all donation requests go through the council. Vote taken, motion passed.

- The council went into executive session three times, returning to an open meeting at 7:02 p.m.
- Vacancies on the housing authority, planning and travel and tourism boards were discussed. A motion was made to advertise for the vacant positions. Vote taken, motion passed.

The next public works meeting will be held Oct. 26 at 5 p.m., the next safety meeting will be held Oct. 26 at 5:30 p.m., the next parks meeting will be held Oct. 26 at 6 p.m., the next utility meeting will be held Nov. 2 at 5:30 p.m. and the next finance committee meeting will be held Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. The city council meeting will be held Nov. 4. All meetings are held in the city building and are open to the public.

Pigskin

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homa State to win the tiebreaker by 33-21, or just 4 points off. Alberta Geil, Almena, also missed two games and chose Oklahoma State to win the tiebreaker but was 16 total points off.

The other three fans with two

misses incorrectly chose Missouri to win the tiebreaker game. They were Heather Simmons, Bob Husted and Patty Gall, all of Norton.

If you entered last week's contest and are keeping track of your weekly scores, you will want to

add one to your winners if you chose Georgia Tech to win or subtract one if you chose Virginia Tech.

Good luck to everyone in the upcoming contest in Tuesday's paper and we apologize for the inconvenience.

Renewal

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will need to bring a state issued original certified birth certificate, social security card and a utility bill with current address plus the driver license of the parent

that brings the child. If you have questions, please call the office at (785) 877-5795. All CDL renewals need to be renewed at a full service station in Phillipsburg, Hays or Colby.



AG & CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT

NO RESERVE INTERNET AUCTIONS

Ag Equipment Bidding Ends Wed., Oct. 28 | 10 A.M. CDT



'81 International 886 tractor, '78 International 1086 tractor, '79 Steiger Cougar II ST270 4WD tractor, New Holland 660 round baler, New Holland 1431 discbine, Kelderman 10 wheel rake, New Holland 9' 258 Basket rake, weights for International tractor, Raven liquid insecticide systems, '03 water meter, and more.

Const. Equip. Bidding Ends Thurs., Oct. 29 | 10 A.M. CDT



'06 Cat 930G wheel loader, '03 JD 7320, '04 Cat 953C track loader, '86 Cat 926E wheel loader, '03 Komatsu PC220LC excavator, Cat D8K dozer, '06 Ford F350 XLT Super duty flatbed, '00 Cat 963C track loader, '98 Cat 235D excavator, '04 JD 4410 utility tractor, Euclid R-22 off road dump truck, and many others.

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2009

Starting Time: 10:00 a.m. — Almena, Kansas

Sale Site at the Farm Located from Almena: 1 1/4 Mile East on Hwy. 383 to Rd E11, then 4 3/4 Miles North, then 1/4 East OR from Long Island: 6 Miles West on Hwy. 383, then 4 1/2 Miles North, then 1 3/4 Miles West

Ronald has been an owner-operator over the road trucker and farmer for the past 40 years and is retiring. Sale order will be one small rack of miscellaneous items followed by salvage farm equipment and lots of old iron. At approximately 1:00 p.m. we will begin selling the semi tractor and trailers, tractors, combine and heads, followed by the farm trucks and machinery

SEMI TRACTOR AND TRAILERS:

1998 Peterbilt - Ultra cab and sleeper with full bed and refrigerator, Detroit 500 hp engine with 230K on piston and sleeves on a 2001 replacement engine. 60K miles on new rear ends, 13 speed transmission, 60% rubber, recent DOT inspection

2001 Doonan Step Deck Trailer - 48' x 102", 18 sliding wrenches, new brake shoes, good rubber, recent DOT inspection

1978 Colt 42' Double Hopper Grain Trailer - all steel, farm or local haul trailer

FARM TRACTORS:

4840 John Deere - Power shift, 3 hyd. 3 pt. Quick hitch, 38" rubber with duals, front weights, 9500 hrs.

806 IHC - Wheatland - Cab, pto, 34" rubber with duals, no pto

1586 IHC - Cab, 38" rubber with duals, 3 hyd. pto, high range, needs work

COMBINE AND HEADS:

7720 John Deere - Diesel, decent rubber, new

sieves and 3 years on chrome cylinder bars 4500 hrs.; #222 JD Platform - 22' cut; #653 JD Row Crop Head - 6 row x 30"; #220 JD Platform

TRUCKS AND PICKUPS:

1992 Ford F-150 Pickup

1990 Ford Lariat F150 Pickup - Needs new timing chain

1990 Ford Pickup - 4x4

1974 Ford 800 Series Truck - 20' Wood Box and Hoist, tandem twin screw, 5x2 air speed, power steering

1965 Ford Truck - 330 engine with 4x2 speed, 13 1/2' steel side wood floor box with hoist

MACHINERY:

25' Krause Disc - 2 Sunflower 5x5 Undercutters; 4x5 Sunflower Undercutter

2 IHC Plows 5 and 6 Bottom Field Cultivators; 2 JD 2-Unit 9350 Drills; JD Double Hitch LZ Drill; 6 Row Allis Chalmers 3 Pt. Planter - plate type, no-till, colters and disc openers, monitor; Field Chisels; Augers; 9' Belt Terracer

PLUS LOTS MORE NOT LISTED

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