

School Calendar

May 5 Dismiss 12:30
MUSTANGS RELAYS
May 16 GRADUATION
2:30 PM

May 27 Last Day of
School
Dismiss 11:30

Other Important Dates

May 9 Baccalaureate
May 27 End Fourth
Quarter/
Second Semester
May 27 Last Day of
School

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LAST DAY
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Graduation 2010
Linn Co. R-I
Gymnasium
May 16, 2010
2:30 p.m.

Ledger Staff

Natalie Coffman
Kelsey Davis
Jessica Hayes
Elizabeth Murrell
Alex Spencer
Chelsea Ward

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TO RETIRE

Mr. Wesley Groves



Mr. Groves will be retiring at the end of the school year with two years of service at Linn County. He previously taught at Meadville. Mr. Groves taught Trigonometry, Algebra, and Geometry. Wesley plans to farm, hunt, fish, and woodwork, not necessarily in that order. Mr. Groves most memorable moment(s) is school lunch and the bonding with all my fellow female teachers.

Mr. Paul Stillwell

Mr. Stillwell will be retiring from Linn County at the end of the school year with six years of service. Paul plans to enjoy his farm. When asked about his most memorable moment, Paul could not think of just one. He will always remember when the preschool was opened, helping Melanie and Nicole across the ice, and watching Pam and Roy catch loose papers under Pam's car in the ice and wind.

Mrs. Phyllis Forst



Mrs. Forst will be retiring at the end of the school year after teaching eight years at Linn County. She has also taught at Marceline, Southwest, Brookfield, and Wheeling. Mrs. Forst actually started her career at Linn County in the mid-seventies. Mrs. Forst most memorable moment would be after each play - the relief that it was over. When asked what you will do in your free time, Mrs. Forst replied, "Probably read."

Mr. Jeff Morelock



Mr. Morelock will be retiring at the end of the school year with 33 years of teaching, 22 of those years at Linn County. His plans after retirement include farming, fishing, hunting, working on our house, raising berries, beekeeping, helping others, and traveling as soon as Robin retires. Mr. Morelock has many memories from LC but a few of his fondest memories are: "Being able to teach and coach my daughter Bethany. It was a special privilege to get this opportunity and allowed me to share more time with her. As a dad seeing his daughter about to be married, it really has made me appreciate these extra hours of time together while she was in high school. Another memory is sharing most of my 22 years of teaching at LC with my wife Robin. We were the science department. Lots of time was spent working together on projects at home and at school, whether it was prom, science projects, or Science Olympiad. She's a tremendous teacher to work with junior high kids all day long for all these years. If I ever needed anything she was always next door. I am so blessed to have such a wonderful wife. Another memory is being able to serve Christ through sponsoring the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. What an opportunity and responsibility! I'm so thankful that this ministry exists and that so many kids at LC have hopefully been influenced in a positive way for their lives through FCA activities.

Senior Spotlight



Jesse Graham

"Live life today, pay the bill tomorrow." -Anonymous

Activities: Baseball, Trap Shooting, FFA, Science Olympiad, Vo-Tech, & Skills USA President

Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:
Incorrigible, Loquacious, & Facetious

Future Plans & Goals:
Attend Missouri Western and be active in the ROTC program.

What would you most want to be remembered for:
Always being opinionated.

Advice to underclassmen
Always make time to think about tomorrow, no matter how good today is.

As a senior, what do you look forward to?
Starting college and my career in the US Army as an Aviator.

Most memorable moment at Linn Co.
When I got knocked out by a fly ball at practice my freshman year.

"Give it all you've got because you never know if there's going to be a next time." -Danielle Ingrum

Activities: Vo-Tech

Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:

Talkative, Funny, & Cool

Future Plans & Goals:

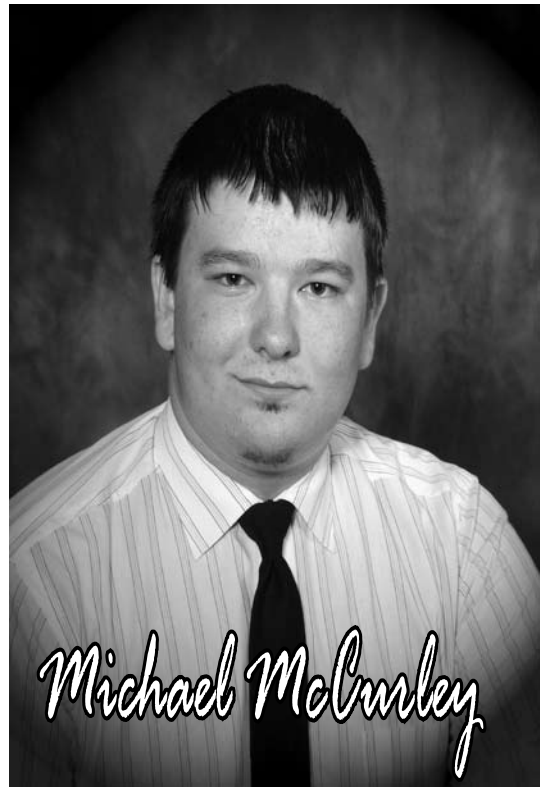
Join the military.

What would you most want to be remembered for:
Nothing.

Advice to underclassmen

Do your work.

As a senior, what do you look forward to?
Graduation.



Michael McCurley



*"You were not born a winner,
and you were not born a loser.
You are what you make yourself
to be." -Lou Holtz*

Activities: Basketball, Softball, & Track

Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:

Athletic, Outgoing, & Funny

Future Plans & Goals:

Attend Penn Valley Community College for nursing.

Advice to underclassmen

Don't Procrastinate.

As a senior, what do you look forward to?

Graduation!

Most memorable moment at Linn Co.

Getting All Conference MVP last year in Basketball.
Also when I pitched an inning in baseball this year and the guy hit it and it hit me in the leg.



Mr. Livingston's Update



It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of the school year. We have been very busy here at school and the events on the calendar seem to multiply every day. The students recently finished up MAP testing and I feel it went very well this year. This test is very important to the district and I hope that all students took it very seriously.

The spring baseball and track teams have been very busy. The conference track meet will be held at LaPlata this year with Bevier being the host school. The conference track meet will be held on Wednesday, April 28. The Mustang Relays here at the school will be on May 5. Cairo will be hosting the district baseball tournament this year. The tournament will be held on May 15, 16, and 17. I urge each of you to come out and support our athletes. The athletic banquet will be held on May 7, and the FFA banquet on May 14.

The seniors will be finished with their high school classes on May 7. They will then be on their way to the Lake of the Ozarks for the senior trip. I have enjoyed working with the seniors this year and wish them nothing but success throughout their lives. It has been exciting watching them grow up. Some grew up faster than others, but they have all matured into very good citizens in and out of school. The Baccalaureate date is May 9 at 2:30 with graduation being held on May 16 at 2:30 also.

Thank you for the continued support of our school and please mark your calendars for the awards assembly to be held on May 14 at 9:00 a.m.

As many of you may not be aware, I will be taking a new position next year. I have accepted the Superintendent position here at Linn Co. I am very excited to take this position and I have enjoyed serving the district as the high school principal for the last seven years. I look forward to working with students, faculty and the community in my new role.

KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS FOR 2010-2011

We are trying to get the names and addresses of prospective kindergarten students for the 2010-2011 school year. We will still be having our kindergarten roundup in late April, which is a time to see how ready the students are for kindergarten. This enrollment will give us the names and addresses of prospective students and parents so that we can mail them information about the roundup when that time comes. We will also get information we can use now in planning for the instruction of the students next year.



KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT 2010-2011

Child's Name

Birth date

Parent Names (Both)

Address, City and Zip

Describe Location of the House

Telephone Number

To enter kindergarten a child must be 5 years of age before August 1, 2010. Please mail this form back to Mrs. Ward at Linn County R-I, P.O. Box 130, Purdin, MO 64674.

Preschool Classes of 2010-2011

PRESCHOOL STUDENTS FOR 2010-2011

We are trying to get the names and addresses of prospective preschool students for the 2010-2011 school year. We will still be having our screening in early May, which is a time to see how ready the students are for preschool. This enrollment will give us the names and addresses of prospective students and parents so that we can mail them information about the screening when that time comes. We will also get information we can use now in planning for the instruction of the students next year.

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT 2010-2011

Child's Name

Birth date

Parent Names (Both)

Address, City and Zip

Describe Location of the House

Telephone Number

To enter preschool a child must be 3 years of age before August 1, 2010. Please mail this form back to Mrs. Ward at Linn County R-I, P.O. Box 130, Purdin, MO 64674.

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•Rinehart Auto Parts •Cupp & Wallace CPA, PC •O'Kane Ranch

Bevier C-4 School District Host The 8th Annual Tri-County Conference Art Show

The Bevier C-4 School hosted the 8th annual Tri-County Conference art show on March 26, 2010. The show was a competitive event for area high school students. All nine Tri-County schools were in attendance Atlanta, Bevier, Brashear, Bucklin, Green City, LaPlata, Linn County, Macon County, and Novinger. The show was open to the public Friday, March 26 through Sunday, March 28th. Each school was able to submit three entries for each division. An individual student could only submit one entry for each division. Overall an individual student could submit a total of four pieces to the show. Following is the list of Linn Co. R-1 students whose art work was submitted: Natalie Coffman, Jeremiah Waltz, Ellen Burns, Jody Roger, Elizabeth Oldro, Brandon Fusco, Blayly Smith, Dillon Elkins, Arieal Rinehart, Skyler Gray, Kassie Harrington, Lucas Woodside, and Bryar Bookout.

The winners are as followed:

Division I ~ Drawing (black / white) 1st Crystal Haun – Macon County, 2nd Taylor Wheeler - LaPlata, 3rd Ashley Young – Macon County.

Division II ~ Drawing (color) 1st Jake Baker - Atlanta, 2nd Destiny Hancock - Bucklin, 3rd Shelby Tipton - Atlanta.

Division III ~ Painting (watercolor) 1st Jeremiah Waltz – Linn County, 2nd Briana Schniederheinze – Macon County, 3rd Luc Warner - Bevier.

Division IV ~ Painting (tempera, oil, and acrylic) 1st Katelyn Tolle - Bevier, 2nd Wade Teter - Bevier, 3rd Arieal Rinehart – Linn County.

Division V ~ Fiber Arts 1st Abigail Wheeler - Brashear, 2nd Tayler Hedworth - Bevier, 3rd Trisha Potter - Novinger.

Division VI ~ Ceramics 1st Crystal Haun – Macon County, 2nd Emily Tiessler - LaPlata, 3rd Shelby McElhaney - Bevier.

Division VII ~ 3-D Sculpture 1st Shelby McElhaney - Bevier, 2nd Matt Thomas - Brashear, 3rd Luc Warner - Bevier.

Division VIII ~ Printmaking 1st Cody Holt – Green City, 2nd Ethan Thompson – Macon County, 3rd Jordan Berry – Brashear.

Division IX ~ Mixed Media 1st Erin Drake - Bucklin, 2nd Nathan Techau – Macon County, 3rd Rayna Simon-ton – Novinger.

Division X ~ Graphic Arts / Photography 1st Natalie Coffman – Linn County, 2nd Elizabeth Oldro – Linn County, 3rd Katelyn Tolle - Bevier.

Best of Show – Katelyn Tolle – Bevier (painting)

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News From Mrs. Ward

Summer School

Sign up now. Summer school will focus on reading and math. Summer school will begin on Tuesday, June 1st and end on Friday, June 18th. The students will attend school from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. each day with the exception of either Friday, June 4th or Friday, June 11th and Friday, June 18th. On two of those days we will have to stay until at least 2:00 p.m. because we are making up hours for only going 14 days instead of 15 days. Field trips have not been determined yet. Details will be given about the trips at a later date.

The last week of summer school will be used to wrap up any loose ends and get the students ready to begin their time at home. On Friday, June 18th we will travel to Chillicothe to bowl, play in the park, eat lunch, and then swim at the Chillicothe Aquatic Center. This will also be a longer day. We will return around 4:00 p.m. on this day.

This year the fifth grade will be participating in the transition program which will help prepare them for Junior High and their last day will be celebrated at a water park.

COME ONE, COME ALL. JOIN THE FUN AND SIGN UP NOW FOR SUMMER SCHOOL.

****PARENTS PLEASE NOTE THAT SUMMER SCHOOL IS NOT DEFINITE AT THIS TIME DUE TO BUDGET ISSUES. We are planning for summer school as if it will take place, however if the funding does not come through from the state we will not be able to have summer school. This information will be given to us at a later time. We may not know for sure until after May 15th, 2010.

PTO

The last PTO meeting for this school year will be held Monday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the commons area. This is a very important meeting. We are hoping to have a good turn out for the ELECTION OF OFFICERS. Thanks to everyone that has participated or helped PTO out in some way this year.

Track/Field Day

The elementary track/field day will be held on Thursday, May 20th with a rain date of Tuesday, May 25th. This year for track/field day each grade level will rotate to different activities and all students will participate in all of the activities. The students will also enjoy a sack lunch, which is provided by the school on that day. A letter with more details about the day will be sent home closer to the day of the event. We hope to see you on track/field day!!!!

Elementary Awards Assembly

The elementary awards assembly will be held on Thursday, May 27th at 8:30 a.m. The awards that will be given out this year will include Kindergarten certificates, perfect attendance, citizenship for third and sixth grades, fifth and sixth grade honor roll, Library awards, and Music awards.

After the awards assembly, each class will go back to their classroom to wrap things up and then all classes will have a time scheduled for an end of the year celebration. The celebration will include hotdogs, chips, cookies, and pop.

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•Wright-Baker-Hill Funeral Home •Tollerton Real Estate •Rhodes Engineering Co., Inc.

Preschool 2010-2011---LOOKING FOR THREE AND FOUR YEAR OLDS

The Linn County R-1 School District provides the opportunity for children 4 years of age to attend preschool. Due to the low number of four year olds that we are aware of, we will be offering preschool for three year olds also. Our preschool allows for 20 children to attend. We are searching for three and four year olds to help reach our limit of 20 children. The child must be at least 3 years old by August 1, 2010 in order to be eligible to attend preschool. We are offering this opportunity to every 3 & 4 year old that we are aware of in our District. If we have more interest than we have spots then The DIAL 3 test will be administered and the students will be taken based upon educational need. Four year olds will be given priority and will be taken before three year olds. A couple of items that are important to note is that the students must be fully potty trained before attending preschool and that 3 year olds are not allowed to ride the school bus. Parents/Guardians would have to provide transportation to and from school each day in order for the child to attend. If the child turns 4 years old during the school year, upon his/her 4th birthday, the child will be allowed to ride the bus.

The program operates on a five day a week basis or according to the Linn County R-1 school calendar. The hours will run the same as our regular school hours. The student will need to arrive at school between 8:00 and 8:20 a.m. The student has to be picked up by 3:00 p.m. The preschool students will end school on the same day as all other students.

As of now, the fees for the 2010-2011 school year will remain the same as last year. However, those fees are subject to change due to changes that may occur with State funding. Those families that do not qualify for free/reduced lunches will be charged \$10.00 per day. Those that qualify for reduced lunches will be charged \$5.00 per day and those that qualify for free lunches will be admitted free of charge. It is very important that you fill out the free and reduced lunch form so we can base what we charge you for preschool off of that form. Breakfast and lunch prices are as follows:

Regular Breakfast	\$.85	Reduced	\$.30
Regular Lunch	\$ 1.25	Reduced	\$.40

All students wishing to attend preschool must have a completed physical to be kept on file. The physical form that has to be used is enclosed in this letter, along with a free/reduced lunch application form. Also, in order to attend preschool, we must have a copy of the immunization record (which must be up to date), a copy of the birth certificate, and the student's social security number.

If you are interested in sending your child to preschool for the upcoming year, please respond as soon as possible. You may respond by contacting Candi Ward or Phyllis Wilson at 244-5035.

Elementary Spring Music Concert

The Elementary Spring music concert will be held on Tuesday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m. The students will need to be here at 6:45 p.m. Mrs. Bolle and the students have worked very hard to prepare for the concert. Please come out and enjoy the performance by the elementary students.

Last Day of School

Our last day of school is May 27th. We will dismiss at 11:30 a.m. that day. Please make sure your child has a backpack or some type of bag on that day. The students have a lot of end of the year things to bring home on that day and it is very helpful if they all have something to carry their things in. THANK YOU AND HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!!

Spelling Bee

The winners of the Linn County R-1 spelling bee were as follows:

Fourth Grade	Blair Buswell	April Wood
Fifth Grade	Cailyn Ham	Paige Truitt
Sixth Grade	Megan Schreiner	Britane Hubbard

All School winners	Britane Hubbard	Blair Buswell
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These students competed in the County Spelling Bee at Meadville on Thursday, April 22nd at 7:00 p.m. Congratulations to these students!!!

SUMMER SCHOOL APPLICATION

Please Complete and Return to the School Office

Child's Name: _____ Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Grade Level (During 2009-2010 school year): _____

Comments or Suggestions: _____

Summer School will run from June 1 – June 18 pending financial support from the State of Missouri.
Please be aware summer school will not be held this summer if State funding is withheld.

Please Refer Questions to Mrs. Ward (660) 244-5035

Notice

If you do not want your child or guardians name or picture to be placed in the media by the school district, please notify the district office at (660) 244-5045. An example is listing their name with the Honor Roll in the Ledger, newspaper, or on the district's internet site.

Academic Awards Ceremony

Please join us in honoring our students at 9:00 a.m. on May 14, 2010 at the Linn Co. R-I gymnasium. We will host the annual Academic Awards Ceremony at that time. All parents and family are welcome to attend this ceremony. Many individual students will be recognized at this time for their achievement in the classroom and at school. Seniors will also be given many of their awards at this time. Please make an effort to visit our school and honor many of our finest students.

Lifetouch Picture Packets

Need to be Returned by Friday, May 7, 2010

Please return unpurchased pictures and/or money.

Elementary-Return to teacher

JH/HS-Return to Mrs. Hoyt

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MIM NOTES

March 29, 2010

The MIM meeting was held on the 29th of March from 3:30-5:30. All members were present except for Nicole Head; Candi Ward was facilitator, Katheryn O'kane was our time-keeper, Stephany Russell was recorder and Melanie Herriman was focus manager.

The leadership team approved the self study. Meg is going to get it uploaded to the MIM website. We went through and progress monitored this quarter noting the following: parental awareness through the use of AIM-SWEB, flex groups in 6-8, and data templates and tools have been introduced to the faculty through recent PD. Next we briefly reviewed our budget. We decided at this time to not go forward with PBS and to continue focusing on running PLC effectively and efficiently. We established 2 main smart goals to turn into MIM.

- 80% K-8 students will master CA Power Standards at a universal level by 2013
- 80% K-8 students will master MA Power Standards at a universal level by 2013

Discussion of how to meet those goals through action steps and action planning was discussed and will be further discussed in the next meeting, which is April 26th at 3:30-5:30.

Principal for a Day!

Have you ever wondered what events happen during the day for a principal? This question was posed to the 4th grade class. The 4th grade students were given a writing assignment over the topic of what they would do if they were principal for a day. The students went through the writing process for this assignment. When all the writings were complete, the final product was judged. A winner was chosen to spend a few hours during the school day with Mrs. Ward. The winner was Morgan Belzer. Her writing was chosen out of the 23 students. Congratulations Morgan and enjoy your principal for a day.

Morgan's winning essay

It's 7:30 first day as a principal! This job must be easier than being a teacher. All I have to do is sit in my office and answer the phone!

It's 7:40 and here come the buses. This is so easy! Little Johnny, don't run. What a breeze. It's 8:00 and all the kids are in class.

I'm going to kindergarten because the teacher called with a problem. Little Susie isn't feeling well and I have to take care of her because the nurse isn't here today. I'll just call her mom to pick her up. OH NO! Susie just threw up all over me and my office! I called the custodian but he's not here today either. I guess I'll have to clean it up myself. What a day!

It's lunch time and I'm starving. I can't wait. It's my favorite- Turkey and mashed potatoes. OH NO! Food fight. There are potatoes everywhere! Stuck on the ceiling and in kids' hair. I now have 10 kids in my office and I don't have room for 10 kids and my office still smells bad. I can't wait for 3:00. Well, it's 2:10 and I think I'm going home. I am the principal, you know!!

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Summer Library
More information to come.
Contact Janie Wood with questions
jwood@linnr1.k12.mo.us
(660) 244-5035

This year's after prom party was held in the new Ag building and it was very nice. Many AWESOME items were available for students to bid on at the auction that started at 3:30 a.m. A few of the items up for bid were a TV, Wii, iPod touch, digital picture frame, PSP, and numerous items for those college bound. None of that would have been possible without the generosity of businesses and individuals who donated cash or items.

We had two seniors and two juniors that were drawn for the door prizes. They were:

19" LCD Flat Screen TV – Alex Spencer
\$50 cash – Jessica Hayes
Small Refrigerator – Shelby Stillwell
DVD Player – Brittney Lewis

A big thank you goes out to all who made the all night prom party a lot of fun. A special thank you to Mike and Lisa Hostetter, Leo and Charla Rehbein, Todd and June Woodside, Coach Rex, Coach Cunningham, and Trevor Stillwell who stayed up all night to work the all night party.

Again thanks to all businesses, workers, Ryan Livingston, Pam Biggs, Kathryn O'Kane and the Board of Education for letting us use the new building. I would also like to thank the parents who helped and donated food for the dinners and to raise money for the party.

Gratefully,
Crystal Stillwell

**PERFECT
ATTENDANCE
THROUGH
04-23-10**

JUNIORS

Canaan Rehbein

SOPHOMORES

Kaitlin Liebhart

FRESHMAN

Kelsey Barker

7TH GRADE

Anthony McCollum

6TH GRADE

Shaina Russell
Megan Schreiner
Elisha Waltz

5TH GRADE

Cameron Creason
Ariael Search

4TH GRADE

Blair Buswell

2ND GRADE

Kaia Miller

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Interim Superintendent

Candi Ward - Elem. Principal

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Spring Baseball

Game Time: 5 p.m.
May 3 vs Novinger @ Linn Co.
May 6 vs Bevier @ Linn Co.
May 15-22 Districts
May 24 Sectionals
May 26 Quarterfinals