

USD 490 is proud to be the public schools serving El Dorado, KS.

District Highlights

EHS students qualify for state in FCCLA

Three EHS students qualified for the state Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) competition.

Leila Fowler will compete in Illustrated Talk with a project on mental health and suicide prevention.

Ellie Scobee will compete in Career Investigation with a project on neonatal nursing.

Kimberly Yates will compete in Illustrated Talk with a project on artificial and natural food dyes.

EHS bowler places tenth at state

EHS bowler Forrest Parker placed tenth as an individual at the state bowling tournament.

The team placed ninth. Team members included: Seth Klayson, Tucker Cook, Braxton Taylor, Ian Bullcock, Forrest Parker, Tristan Rogers, and Mahlon Hart.

EHS students place at regional Science Olympiad

Several EHS students placed at the regional Science Olympiad.

Siubhan Mora-Bruce placed second in GeoLogic Mapping and fifth in Water Quality.

Seth Klayson and Siubhan Mora-Bruce placed fourth in Experimental Design.

Reagan McCune and Siubhan Mora-Bruce placed sixth in Herpetology.

Team members were: Leenah Al-Turki, Mahlon Hart, Seth Klayson, Reagan McCune, and Siubhan Mora-Bruce.

USD 490 hires new Executive Director of Fiscal and Support Services

The USD 490 Board of Education approved the hiring of Kathy Robertson as the new Executive Director of Fiscal and Support Services beginning July 1, 2019.

Robertson is currently in her third year as superintendent of USD 298 in Lincoln, Kansas.

Before taking on the role of superintendent, Robertson worked for three years as the Assistant Director of the ANW Special Education Cooperative. Prior to that she was an Interrelated Teacher for one year in Derby Middle School, a Principal

at Pike Valley High School for three years, and an Interrelated Teacher in Valley Center High School for six years.

Robertson completed her Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with an emphasis in Special Education from McPherson College in 2002. She earned her Master of Arts in School Administration from Baker University in 2007, and finished a District Licensure Program through Wichita State University in 2012.

Her background in leadership, school operations, and working with



a district budget will make her a great asset to the USD 490 team.

EHS and EMS collect peanut butter and jelly

EHS collected 180 jars of peanut butter and EMS collected 584 jars of jelly that they were able to deliver to the Salvation Army on March 1.

EHS students Dalton King and Kaleb Manke led a National Honor Society project to collect peanut butter and jelly for the Salvation Army. While EHS has done a PB&J drive for the last few years, this is the first year they have partnered with the middle school.

King and Manke reached out to EMS Student Council sponsors Kelly Payé and Les Limon to plan the joint drive. They worked with middle school STUCO members to create flyers and posters to encourage students to donate and used social media to send reminders.



2019 USD 490/Kiwanis Science Fair winners announced

USD 490 and the El Dorado Kiwanis Club partnered for the annual Science Fair on March 1.

Two hundred students in grades 3-8 submitted 85 projects to be judged. One winner was selected from each of the four categories: Physical Science, Earth Science, Biological Science, and Mathematics. A Grand Champion was chosen from those top four.

This year's Grand Champion "Hot Under the Collar" by Aodhíonn Mora-Bruce was from the Physical Science category.

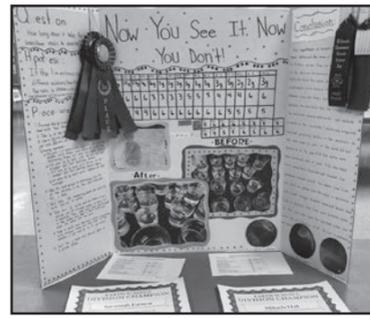
First place in Earth Science was awarded to "Now You See It, Now You Don't" by Savannah Earnest, Mikaela Hall, and Kaitlyn Perrill.

First place in Biological Science was awarded to "Music and Heartbeats" by Keylee Faudere, Quinn Houseman, Trinity Motter, and Elisabeth Nobert.

First place in Mathematics was awarded to "What Does Nail Polish Remover Melt" by Naudia Asencio, Kiersten Attreau, and Sienna Dunn.



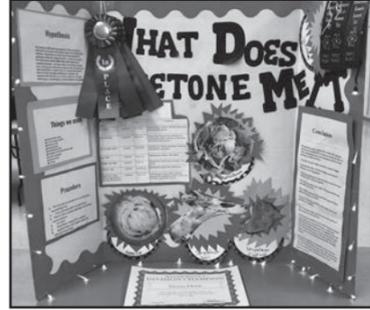
"Hot Under the Collar"
Grand Champion - Physical Science



"Now You See It, Now You Don't"
1st Place - Earth Science



"Music and Heartbeats"
1st Place - Biological Science



"What Does Nail Polish Remover Melt"
1st Place - Mathematics

USD 490 student artwork displayed at Coutts Museum of Art

Several USD 490 elementary students had artwork chosen for display at the Coutts Museum of Art.

A special reception was held for the student art exhibit on March 2 and the work remained on display until March 16.

The Coutts Museum of Art hours are Tuesday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 4:00 p.m. The museum is located at 110 N. Main St. in El Dorado.

Blackmore Elementary

- Carmine Cooper
- Raeleigh Ball
- Arabelle Hughes
- Savanna Johnson
- Kingston Klein
- Courtney Maddox
- Eleanor McCune
- Cooper Meese
- Vaneza Mendoza
- Ruger Michal
- Alaina Noble

- Gretchen Raple
- Savannah Stine
- Gavin Thomas
- Jordyn Vornes
- Maddison Young

Grandview Elementary

- Penny Ainsworth
- Colter Baumgartel
- Olivia Black
- Sierra Bradshaw
- Jack Briggs
- Justus Browne
- Quentin Coons
- Matthew Crabtree
- Landon Hull
- Sonia Johnson
- Avery Kroeger
- Amelia Lane
- Isaiah McNary
- Riley Nichols
- Elise Peffly
- Jackson Remsberg
- Gabby Salings
- Holly Taylor

- Ronan Todd
- Adrian Williams

Skelly Elementary

- Brody Baker
- Annabelle Chastain
- Bradi Coash
- Addy Feaster
- Shawn Gilbert
- Bryck Gilbert
- Tom Goodall
- Ciara Hall
- Kaelyn Jones
- Skylee Jones
- Karsynn Leffew
- Jameson Manion
- Ellie Nelson
- Ruby Repstine
- Jordynn Saltsman
- Mataya Tobler
- Isaac Wolfe
- Katlynn Wooldridge
- Militza Zumwalt

EMS students receive high ratings at Patriot League Music Festival

Several seventh and eighth grade band and orchestra students received I ratings at the Patriot League Music Festival on March 6. The orchestras performed at the USD 490 Performing Arts Center and the bands performed at Augusta Middle School.

I Ratings (Outstanding)

- 7th/8th grade orchestra
- Cello/bass trio of Kayleigh Morris, Trista O'Connor, and Ashlynn Gomez
- Band Quartet of Jerica George (bass clarinet), Reagan Baumgartel (bass saxophone), Pheydra Lynes (tenor saxophone), and Jillian George (bari saxophone)

- Band Quartet of Michael Riddle (alto saxophone), David Mitchell (alto saxophone), Pheydra Lynes (tenor saxophone), and Jillian George (bari saxophone)
- Drew Veatch (snare drum)
- Michael Riddle (alto saxophone)
- David Mitchell (alto saxophone)

II Ratings (Excellent)

- 7th/8th grade band
- String Quartet of Lilly Rogers, Alexandria Dunn, Avery Ash, and Avery Parsley
- String Quartet of Savannah Lunsford, Haylee Payton, Shayla Powell, and Gracie Gomez

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New attendance reporting tool launched March 18

With SafeArrival, parents can report an absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using a mobile device via the SchoolMessenger app.
2. Using the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>.
3. Calling the toll-free number 1-866-620-5231.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

Important Dates

April 7 - 13

National Volunteer Week

April 11

Kindergarten Round-up 6:00 PM

April 19 & 22

No School

April 21

Easter

April 24

Administrative Professionals Day



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CRISIS COMMUNICATION

USD 490 uses School Messenger to communicate with parents in the event of a crisis. Please make sure all contact information is updated with your child's school office. Communication preferences can be selected in the Parent Portal of PowerSchool.

Mobile Apps

El Dorado USD
A one-stop shop for school-related information with links to PowerSchool, breakfast/lunch menus, social media, district website and more.

PowerSchool
Check student grades, attendance, account balances and update communication preferences. (The PowerSchool Parent and Student portals can also be accessed via the district website or El Dorado USD app.) District Code: ZWFD

School Messenger
Manage communication preferences. (This can be done via the Parent Portal of PowerSchool as well.)

School Menus by Nutrislice
School breakfast and lunch menus with interactive features. (These can also be accessed via the district website or El Dorado USD app.)