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By Krissann Roland

Moscow students show their creativity in pumpkin decorating contest

The Moscow USD 209 Food Service Department brought a little fall fun and friendly competition to the school with a Pumpkin Decorating Contest involving students in Kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Each grade worked together with the help of their homeroom teacher to decorate a pumpkin, showcasing creativity, teamwork, and school spirit. The decorated pumpkins were displayed in the school cafeteria, where students and staff had the opportunity to admire the unique designs and vote for their favorites.

The competition was divided into four categories: Kindergarten–second grade, third–fifth grade, sixth–eighth grade and ninth–twelfth grade.

This year's winning classes were:

Kindergarten–Second Grade: Second Grade

Third–Fifth Grade: Fifth Grade

Sixth–Eighth Grade: Eighth Grade

Ninth–Twefth Grade: Ninth Grade

A special thank-you goes to the Moscow Food Service staff for organizing this fun fall tradition and to the teachers and students who participated.



Congratulations to the second, fifth, eighth and ninth grade classes for winning their divisions in the Moscow USD 209 Pumpkin Decorating Contest, sponsored by the Food Service Department. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Thompson.*

Community Calendar

November 19
4:00 PM Hs BB @ Home
November 23
No School All Week: Thanksgiving Break
November 30
5:00 PM HS BB Jamboree vs Satanta & Stanton Co.

What's for LUNCH?

USD #209 Menu

Thursday, November 19
Breakfast
Cereal and donut, Milk, juice and fruit are offered daily during breakfast.
Lunch
Corn dog, tater tots, milk, salad bar.
Friday, November 20
Breakfast
Breakfast pizza, Milk, juice and fruit are offered daily during breakfast.
Lunch
Thanksgiving Dinner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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In the Twenty-sixth Judicial District
District Court, Stevens County, Kansas
Probate Department

In the Matter of the Estate of Albert Marsing, Deceased.

Case No. SV-2026-PR-33

Notice of Hearing

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on the 2nd day of November, 2026, a Petition has been filed in said Court by Amelia Johnson Marsing praying for foreign probate without administration; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 10th day of December, 2026, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Hugoton, in Stevens County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

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The 2026 Santa Fe Trail All-League volleyball and football athletes names have been released. Pictured left to right are Jimmy Montes- All-League Honorable Mention, Any Espinoza-All-League Honorable Mention, Emery Anderson-All-League 1st Team and Braylon Johnson-All-League 1st Team. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Thompson.*



Moscow Elementary students are recognized during the October 14 awards assembly for their academic achievements and demonstration of responsibility. Pictured left to right are Zendaya Hollis, Sylvia Teeter, Dean Whetstone, Madelyn Estrad, Saul Fuentes, Leonardo Gallegos, Adylee Talsma, Sadie Roland and Zavien Hollis. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Thompson.*



Moscow Elementary students Dean Whetstone, Jovanny Montes, Kameron Kuehler and Paisley Sears are recognized for earning Level 4 (Exemplary) scores on the Kansas State Assessments. Kuehler and Sears earned exemplary scores in both English Language Arts and Mathematics, Whetstone in English Language Arts and Montes in Mathematics. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Thompson.*





Student of the Month is Sylvia Teeter. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Thompson.*

Moscow Elementary Celebrates Academic Achievement and Exemplary State Assessment Scores

Moscow Elementary School recognized students for their academic achievements, outstanding Kansas State Assessment scores, and positive character during its monthly awards assembly October 14.

Students were honored for their hard work and commitment to academic excellence. Monthly Academic Award recipients included Zendaya Hollis, Sylvia Teeter, Dean Whetstone, Madelyn Estrada, Saul Fuentes, Leonardo Gallegos, Adylee Talsma, Sadie Roland and Zavien Hollis.

Sylvia Teeter was also recognized as the Student of the Month for demonstrating the character trait of Responsibility.

A highlight of the assembly was the recognition of four students who achieved Level 4 (Exemplary) scores on the Kansas State Assessments. Kameron Kuehler and Paisley Sears each earned exemplary scores in both English Language Arts and Mathematics. Dean Whetstone achieved an exemplary score in English Language Arts, while Jovanny Montes earned an exemplary score in Mathematics.

Earning a Level 4 is the highest performance designation on the Kansas State Assessments and reflects an exceptional understanding of grade-level standards.

Moscow Elementary is proud of these students and their accomplishments. Their success reflects the combined efforts of students, dedicated teachers, and supportive families.

