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The Levy Link

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Levy Legends Basketball

The Tri-County Basketball League started its season on January 13, with a round robin tournament. During this tournament, Levy went 2-1 by beating Northwest High School 8 to 4 and Maize High 18 to 16, before losing their final game to North High 8 to 12. Head Coach Bill Billingsley said that he's "proud of his team because they are all working hard and doing a wonderful job." His number one rule is that his players have fun and everything else will be just fine.

On January 20, Levy beat Andover in a shootout 50 to 38, but lost to Wellington (red) on January 27, 74 to 44.

Levy still has four games remaining. They play Wellington (white) on February 3 @ 12:30 (South YMCA); Heights on February 10 @ 12:30 (South YMCA); West on February 17 @ 12:30 (West High School); and Derby on February 24 @ 12:30 (South YMCA).

On Friday, March 3, the South YMCA Farha Center will Host the Tri-County Basketball League tournament. We will release game information once it's received.



Dates to Remember:

- ◆ Tuesday, February 7, School Pictures
- ◆ Friday, February 10, Basketball Game @ South YMCA (12:30)
- ◆ Tuesday, February 14, Valentine's Day
- ◆ Friday, February 17, Basketball Game @ West High School (12:30)
- ◆ Monday, February 20, NO SCHOOL, Presidents' Day
- ◆ Tuesday, February 21, NO SCHOOL, District Inservice
- ◆ Friday, February 24, Basketball Game @ South YMCA (12:30)
- ◆ Friday, March 3, Basketball Tournament @ South YMCA (TBA)

Mission Statement:

The mission of Levy Special Education Center is to provide a safe and stimulating learning environment which promotes dignity and respect for the students, and where the individual needs of each student are met by a team of skilled caring professionals in ways that are purposeful and meaningful.

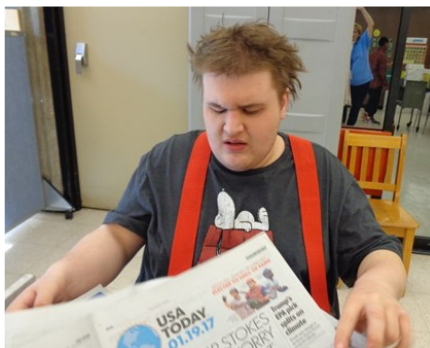
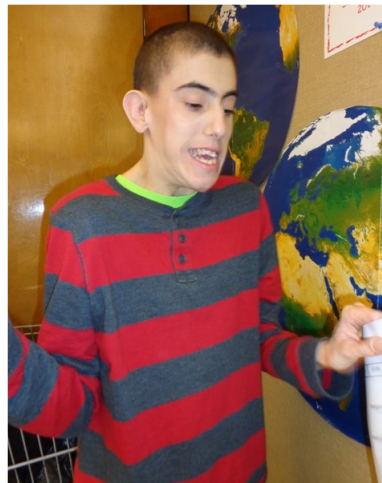
D1 Focuses on Vocational Activities

D1 has had a very busy and exciting school year so far. We started off with four students; Quintin Allen, Josh Bash, Michael Bridges and Damon Hagar. We have recently had two new students join our class, Patrick Vereecke and Elliott Beer. We are very excited to have them!

Vocational training is a very important aspect of our students' education in order to prepare them for life after graduation. One of the highlights of our year is volunteering at the Lord's Diner on Monday mornings. Our students wipe trays, set up chairs, as well as place salt and pepper shakers on the tables. The class works very hard in order to make a positive difference in the community. Their favorite part about volunteering is the snack they eat when their work is done!

Our students also do a great job of working in the Vocational Room at Levy. We can be seen shredding paper, crushing cans, cutting wipes and unfolding papers. Each person has a job they are especially good at. Quintin loves to use a switch to cut wipes. Damon, Josh and Elliott enjoy shredding paper and can perform this task with very little assistance. Michael does a great job of crushing cans during vocational time. Patrick loves to help unfold papers. We are very proud of how hard our class works!

Christy, Cheryl, Dorinda, Jeff, and Sinclair



Kinderconcerts

The Wichita Symphony offers Kinderconcerts after winter break with their string quartet. These free concerts are for Kindergarten students. So, we invite our classes that have similar age groups. This year, they came to Levy on Friday, January 6, 2017 and performed Prokofieff's story of "Peter and The Wolf" and Haydn's String Quartet Op. 33, #3, 4th Movement. They always introduce their instruments to the students. Our students sat enthralled with their prenominal 30-minute performance! What a wonderful experience for our young students and to experience their quality music!



Life Skills

During the month of October, our class studied the scientific inquiry with our Unique curriculum. We did a science experiment on pasta: Does it cook faster with salt or without salt? We found out that salt is for flavor only. Water boils faster without salt. So for snack, we made spaghetti! It was a huge hit with everyone. The kids loved it, even the picky eaters!

In November, we studied earth and space with our Unique curriculum. We learned about the solar system, the different planets, sun and the moon. Our favorite snack this month was walking tacos. We ate out of a chip bag like the astronauts eat in space.

During December, our focus with Unique was holiday tradition. We participated in a lot of fun activities this month. We made snowman ornaments; we also made chocolate covered pretzel rods with Christmas sprinkles. Everyone had fun making their pretzels and choosing the different colors of sprinkles.

After winter break, we jumped right into history in our Unique curriculum. We started with Martin Luther King activities. We learned how to be more tolerant and accepting of others even when we don't always agree. We also learned to appreciate the differences in our world



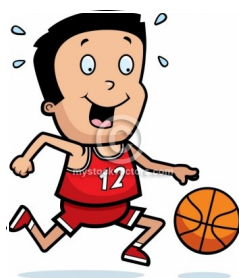
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Levy Legends Cheer Squad



FYI....

School Picture Day

Don't forget....Tuesday, February 7th is picture day at Levy. Lifetouch will be taking individual, class, graduation and team pictures. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer or Staci at 316-973-3400.

News from the Office:

The office hours are from 8:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Jennifer or Staci @ 973-3400. If your child is going to be absent or if their contact information changes, please let the school know.

Influenza Prevention

Now that we are in the midst of influenza season (October - April), we realize that germs can be spread throughout the school and there may be days when your child is too ill to attend. School attendance is crucial to academic success; therefore, we encourage students to practice illness prevention as listed below:

Cover your cough:

Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.

Handwashing:

Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.

Be aware of flu symptoms:

Fever, headache, fatigue, cough, sore throat and body aches. Influenza-like illness (ILI) is defined as a fever (at least 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit) and a cough or sore throat.

When to call the Doctor:

Call your child's doctor if your child has a persistent high fever or a fever with a rash, has trouble breathing or rapid breathing, has bluish skin color, not drinking enough fluids, seems very sleepy or lethargic, seems confused, has flu symptoms that get better but then get worse.

Stay home if ill:

Stay home from work or school when you are ill. Students and staff can return to school 24 hours after their fever is gone without fever-reducing medication and are feeling well enough to participate in school. Flu symptoms may last 5-7 days.