September 2010

## **Words for Wildcats**

By: Mrs. Oard

**Cashion High School** 

The school year has certainly started differently than last year. Construction ended shortly before the students returned. In fact, we were still cleaning up the dust and debris just prior to *Back to School* night. I know the teachers are grateful for the lack of noise from jackhammers and saws, but are even more excited about the renovations that our patrons have made possible. The new restrooms, refurbished classrooms, kitchen area, library, etc. have impressed our students and our visitors. It really does seem like a brand new building!

In addition to new surroundings, we have several new faculty members. While it was difficult to see our career teachers retire and leave with the wealth of experience and knowledge that years of teaching brought, our new instructors have rapidly become a part of our educational family. I sincerely appreciate the positive comments you have shared with me regarding both new and returning faculty members. I have passed these on to the building principals and the instructors. These kind words just encourage us to work harder as we prepare our students for the future.

Please come visit us on the evening of Tuesday, August 31 when the schools host Parent Night (elementary school)/Open House (high school). If you haven't had the opportunity to meet teachers, tour buildings, etc. I hope you can come to school. At the same time, FFA will be hosting a blood drive in support of Kaycee Evans (Class of 2010). Kaycee has returned to the hospital for further treatment and we would like to support her in her recovery.

## **Cafeteria News**

Thanks to all for your patience while we moved into the new cafeteria. We had a bit of a delay but managed to get everyone fed the first few days with ease. We are still a work in progress, but things are better everyday and will continue to get better as we go.

Lunch prices are the same as last year with the Elementary @ \$1.75 daily and High School \$2.25 daily. Students may purchase an extra milk, juice and (coming soon) water for 50 cents. This amount can be taken from your child's account.

If you have not sent in your lunch applications for free/reduced, do so soon as September 23 is the last day for the carry over. Should you have any questions or need help, call Kay @ 433-2575 or 433-2614 ext. 106.

## **CHS Academic Team Named**

By: Coach Mike Eaton

The Academic Team at Cashion High School will have the following members for the 2010-2011 season:

Nicolas Rollins Caleb Kimberling Austin Hoffman Austen Evans Evan Bird Jay Nail Tyler Persechino Staci May

The team will compete against Calumet and Watonga at Cashion in its first triad on September 28<sup>th</sup>.



# Secondary News

By: Mr. Vandruff H.S. Principal

Welcome to a momentous school year, 2010-2011. We are excited to have the opportunity to help your children be successful in and out of the classroom. As we move through this school year, I ask that you help us out with several rules we have modified in our handbook. The handbooks have been sent to print and we will soon be sending the handbooks home for you to look over. If you would prefer, you can go to the link to the Student-Parent handbook on the high school website.

We would appreciate your help as we embrace technology in the classroom without hurting the educational environment with needless disruptions. The following is the policy on cell phones:

While realizing that cellular phones like other devices provide excellent means of communication and connection between students and parents outside of school hours, their use during school is in conflict with our stated mission of focused educational opportunity during the school day. <u>Parentsneedingtocontactstudents</u> <u>during the day should leave</u> <u>messages with the office.</u> Please do not disrupt your student's academic day by calling or texting your child.

Cell phones are not to be used or even turned on during classroom or passing time. <u>Students may only</u> <u>use their phones before the first</u> <u>bell rings, after the last bell rings,</u> and during lunchtime. During all other times, phones must be turned OFF. They may not be turned on and may not be turned to silent. They must be OFF. Students in concurrent enrollment. or other alternate schedules are still held to this same procedure any time they are on the high school campus. Students whose phones are found to be on (to include ringing, vibrating, "checking the time", etc) or who attempt to otherwise use them during school hours will have the device confiscated and brought to the office. The consequences will as follows: likely be

 $1^{st}$  offense – warning and parent contact

**2**<sup>nd</sup> offense – detention and parent may be required to pick up phone

**3**<sup>rd</sup> offense – ISD and parent will be required to pick up phone

Subsequent offenses will result in more severe disciplinary action. In addition, if a cell phone is used in the breaking of another school rule (e.g. cheating), the consequences for the cell phone offense itself may be more severe than the current offense warrants.

Finally I would like to close with some tips on how students can have a successful, productive and rewarding school career.

#### \*Take Pride \*Show Respect \*Demonstrate kindness \*LEARN!

If you take pride in yourself as an individual, a member of your family, and a student at Cashion High School, you will be motivated to succeed as a scholar and an exemplary citizen. We have the highest expectations for our students because a Cashion High School WILDCAT is not ordinary; he/she is EXTRAORDINARY.

If you are consistently respectful to the students and adults in our school, you will experience few conflicts or obstacles to impede your progress. You will develop human relations skills which will be invaluable to you throughout life.

The English poet William Wordsworth said: "The best portion of a good life is the little nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love." Being courteous, kind and tolerant toward others is an expectation of every member of our Cashion High School family.

Your job as a Cashion High School student is to LEARN. Our teachers have great knowledge to impart and wide experiences to share. They are a carefully selected group of outstanding educators who are dedicated to your learning and achieving. Take advantage of the serious learning environment at Cashion High School because you are building the foundation for your future. Learning can be a tough, even painful process at times, but always remember that exhilaration and pride felt when you solve a complex problem, master a difficult concept, or suddenly comprehend what your teacher is explaining.

HighExpectations... High Achievement

Kyle Vandruff

### 2010-2011 Student Body Officers

Pres.- Sierra Thorp Vice Pres.- Cade Broadbent Secretary- Lauren Neece Treasurer- Aydan Gilliam Reporter-Austen Evans

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#### **JH Cheer**

By: Coach Garrett

The Watermelon Feed went great! Your efforts at practice were evident. We will be practicing every Wednesday after school 3:30 to 4:30 until football season is over. Thank you for all your hard work. The year will bring us opportunities to learn, grow, and have a lot of fun. Stay loud and proud.

Mrs. Garrett

## Welcome Back

By:Austen Evans, STUCO Reporter

This past summer Student Council sent Cade Broadbent, Kelley Marlow, and Melissa Barry to Basic, a STUCO camp where teens learn leadership. These skills plus the rest of our executive and class officer teams has helped to come up with several new ideas for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the first day of school, STUCO had randomly picked teachers to come up in front of the student body and do minute-towin-it style games. It was hilarious! STUCO has also decided that twice a month students from each class will do the same in front of the whole high school. This will help the classes win points for the year long class competition which will end with Class Olympics at the end of the year. If you fail to keep track of your class points, don't worry because STUCO will help with that too.

All in all, the year has started off well, and hopefully it will only get better. STUCO has some good ideas for the rest of the year so look forward to some good times and great memories.



#### **SCHOLARSHIPS SEARCH**

\*\*To search for scholarships use www.fastweb.com

#### ACT TEST DATES COST \$33.00 Register online at <u>www.actstudent.org</u>

#### The ACT school code is 370-645

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
September 11, 2010*	August 6, 2010	August 7 – 20, 2010
October 23, 2010	September 17, 2010	September 18 – October 1, 2010
December 11, 2010	November 5, 2010	November 6 – 19, 2010
February 12, 2011**	January 7, 2011	January 8 – 21, 2011
April 9, 2011	March 4, 2011	March 5 – 18, 2011
June 11, 2011	May 6, 2011	May 7 – 20, 2011

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

September 14-----Plan Test for all sophomores September 16 -----Explore test for all 8<sup>th</sup> graders October 13<sup>th</sup> -----PSAT/NMSQT for any interested sophomore or junior