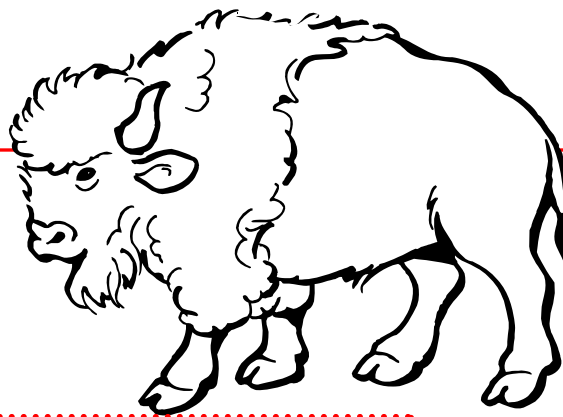


# Bison



# News



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## *From the Principal, Mrs. Cox*

### "Daring to Care"

You have probably noticed that Bisons are "*Daring to Care*" for our year-long school-wide theme. We will be learning how to care about ourselves and others.



Please join with us in teaching our children how important learning is by reading to and with them, practicing spelling words, helping with homework, and making sure they get eight to ten hours of sleep each night.

Our district has adopted the "*Eat, Exercise, & Excel*" program developed by Anthony school. Students have forty-five minutes of physical activity each day and we are eating lunch in the classrooms to cut down on transition times.

We will be voting at the November general election on whether to construct new school facilities for your children. It is an important decision that needs your input.

**To allow traffic to flow, we need to ask you to please not park in the circle drive.** If you are coming into the building, please use the parking lot by the playground or on the north side of the school.

**Please welcome our new staff members** for the 2008-2009 school year!

\***Kelly Berry**, 3rd grade teacher, comes to us from Muncie Elementary and has taught school for 9 years. She graduated from the University of St. Mary and earned a Master's Degree from Baker University. She has 2 children and her hobbies are reading and walking.

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### Special points of interest

- \* Constitution Day  
Wednesday, September 17
- \* IDENT-A-KID  
Friday, September 19
- \* Autumn begins  
Monday, September 22
- \* School Pictures  
Tuesday, September 23
- \* Spirit Day / Bake Sale  
Friday, September 26
- \* Major Saver Cards  
Thursday, October 9
- \* No School / Teacher Workday  
Friday, October 10
- \* Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Thursday, October 16, 12 till 8 p.m.  
Friday, October 17, 8 till 12 noon
- \* Picture Retakes  
Friday, October 24

*It takes all of us to achieve success.*



# HWS Students Are "Daring to Care."

## Counselor's Corner

by Janice Troyer



What a counselor does:

- \* Works with ALL students to learn relationship skills - how to handle a bully, how to be a friend, how to handle anger, how to disagree, how to prepare for the world of work (classroom lessons and small groups)
- \* Works with students with behavior problems (individually)
- \* Works with students with specific situations - parents' divorce and remarriage, grief, parents in jail, etc. (groups and individually)
- \* Works with teachers to help their students
- \* Works with parents to help their children be successful



Call me if your child is experiencing a problem and we will work it out together.



### Welcome!

New staff members at HWS continued

\***Amy Gray**, 1st grade teacher, comes to us from Sterling, Ks. She graduated from Sterling College and is a first year teacher. Ms. Gray likes country music and Mexican food.

\***Gale Jarowitz**, 2nd grade teacher, is a native of Leavenworth, graduated from the University of St. Mary, and has taught 1st & 2nd grades for a total of 5 years. She has a cat that visits off & on named Rebel, and enjoys visits from Ms. Fink's dog named Gus and her cat named K.

\***Dawn Torrain**, 4th grade teacher, comes to us from Florida. She has taught both 3rd and 6th grades and has 2 dogs named Patches and Gizmo. Welcome, Mrs. Torrain!

\***Jim Fehlauer**, Art teacher, has been teaching in Leavenworth schools for 13 years. He graduated from Bethany College and earned a Master's Degree from the University of St. Mary. Mr. Fehlauer has 4 children and a dog named Dante.

\***Becky Haney**, Inclusion Specialist, comes to us from Pennsylvania. She is a Kansas girl but has lived on the east coast for 10 years. Mrs. Haney is a graduate of K-State University, has 2 daughters, has a dog named Tawny, and a cat named Bart.

\***Sue Hubert**, Inclusion Specialist, is a native of Leavenworth & attended Leavenworth schools. She comes to us from Lansing Elementary school and has 2 dogs.

\***Heather G'Sell**, Inclusion Specialist, is starting her first year of teaching. She moved from St. Louis, Missouri, to Kansas to study autism spectrum disorders at the University of Kansas. Go, Jayhawks!

\***Krissie Sanders**, Structured PE, is a native of Leavenworth & attended Leavenworth schools. She has worked for the district 3 years. She has 2 cats named Ashley & Wynonna,



\*HWS gives a "BIG" welcome to our new Paras, Kim Burge, Darlene Market, Betty Pantoja, & Ashley Hildebrandt, and to our new Secretary, Mrs. Cooper!