



Lances Up

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2016 Southeast Queen & King: Courtney Ross & Davin Elkins



Congratulations to Southeast seniors Courtney Ross and Davin Elkins for being named the 2016 Southeast Queen and King. The Southeast Prom and After Prom were held Saturday April 2 at Southeast High School.

Business idea gets SHS students feature in Joplin business newspaper



SHS seniors Katey Freeman and Camrin Sellers were featured in a March publication of the Joplin Regional Business Journal. The two recently took grand prize in the Entrepreneurship Challenge in Columbus, qualifying them for the state competition on April 25. When Joplin Regional Business Journal reporter Stacey Lindsay said when she heard about the girls idea for a food truck, she had to talk to them. Their idea? "Waffles on Wheels".

SE students ride in Columbus Rodeo



Several Southeast students ride in area rodeos, and on Saturday March 26, the All Youth Rodeo Association came to Columbus. Southeast sixth grader Quintonn Lunsford's winning ride from the Columbus rodeo was even shown on KOAM TV. Whether it's riding a makeshift mechanical bull or watching videos, Quintonn and fifth grader Eli Pritchett said it's a lot of work, but a lot of fun.

"I watch my videos over and over—like, last week, I about fell off coming out of the chute but I had to pull myself back on so I watched my video over like five times to see how I did it," Quintonn said. "The energy starts flowing, makes you want to stay on there—you get all pumped up behind the chutes."

Even with the hard work, sometimes you get thrown and have to get right back on again. At the Columbus rodeo, Eli was thrown.

"You have to have a lot of confidence," Eli said. "I got thrown onto the dashboard—the front of the horse. My rear came off the saddle, I couldn't get back down and I went over the front of the horse."

For both boys, it was their families that got them into rodeo. Eli thinks he started riding when he was four years old; Quintonn thinks he was four.

Both boys say it's the thrill of the ride and the roar of the crowd that keeps bringing them back, and they'd like to see more kids try it, saying it's a lot more fun than sitting inside and playing video games.

Thanks to Victor McCune Photography of Bella Vista, Arkansas for the above photo of Quintonn Lunsford.

Congratulations...

Spring Music Programs Both at Southeast High School:

Mon. Apr. 18, 6:00 p.m.

5th-12th Grades

Thurs. Apr. 21, 6:30 p.m.

Preschool-4th Grades

- New Debate/Forensics national qualifiers: Sara Goins and Will Chrysler have qualified for Lincoln-Douglas Debate. They join Ashleigh Fleck, who previously qualified for Congressional Debate Senate Tournament.
- Several SHS students named to 4-State Honor Band: seniors Bryson Spahn and Taylor Stanley, junior Madison Westervelt, sophomore Kayler Spahn, and freshman Elias Newport. Freshmen Brody Newswander and Daria Stricklin named as alternates. 4-State Honor Band activities will be held Thursday, April 28 at Pittsburg State University.
- Southeast seniors Kalyn Bitner and Chandler Jackson for being named to the 2015-16 Pittsburg Morning Sun All County Basketball Team. Bitner was named Honorable Mention Sixth Man. Jackson was named Honorable Mention Starting Five.

FREE Community Breakfast

A Thank You from the
Southeast Athletic Department

Sat. Apr. 30, 7:30 a.m. to 9:30
a.m. (or when food runs out)
At Southeast High School

Calendar of Events

(Subject to change)

Monday April 4

SE FBLA at State in Topeka
SE FCCLA at State in Wichita
6:30p Weir Civic Club meeting in Weir

Tuesday April 5

SE FBLA at State in Topeka
SE FCCLA at State in Wichita
Vaccination clinic for SHS seniors
11:30a-1:00p Come & Dine Lunch served at Osage Church of Brethren near McCune
[3:30p Junior Varsity Track & Field Meet at Southeast High School](#)
3:45p SJHS Track & Field at Girard
[6:00p SE Elementary PTO meeting at SES](#)
6:30p Riders meeting at Cherokee American Legion

Wednesday April 6

TRiO Day at Labette Community College
11:30a-1:00p Senior citizens lunch at Weir Community Center
12:30p-3:30p Chicopee Card Game Club at Chicopee Community Center

Thursday April 7

SE FFA at Aggie Days in Iola
2:00p SJHS Track & Field at Riverton
[4:30p SHS Baseball & Softball hosts Galena at SHS \(Varsity doubleheader\)](#)
6:00p McCune Library Board Meeting

Friday April 8

4:30p SHS Baseball & Softball at Galena (2 JV)
6:00p SE KAY chapter Senior Appreciation & Sendoff Dinner at SHS

Saturday April 9

SE archers at State Archery at Clearwater High School in Clearwater, Kansas (flights expected are at 1:30p & 2:30p)
SE Forensics at Fort Scott
7:00a-10:00a Weir Library Pancake Fundraiser at Weir Senior Citizens Building at park
7:30a Breakfast at Cherokee American Legion
8:00a KSHSAA Regional Music Festival at Pittsburg State University (Solo & Ensembles)

Sunday April 10

4:00p Cherokee American Legion Meeting; Sons of the American Legion follows

Monday April 11

[4:30p SHS Varsity Baseball & Softball hosts Columbus at SHS \(home opener\)](#)
[6:00p USD 247 Board of Education monthly meeting](#)
7:00p McCune City Council meeting
7:00p Weir City Council meeting

Tuesday April 12

SE SkillsUSA & TSA at PSU Gorilla Games
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Riverton
4:30p SHS Baseball and Softball at Columbus (2 JV)
[5:30p SJHS Proud Lancer Parent meeting at SJHS](#)
5:30p Cherokee Ruritan Bingo at Cooky's Diner in Cherokee
7:00p West Mineral City Council Meeting

Wednesday April 13

12:30p-3:30p Chicopee Card Game Club at Chicopee Community Center

Thursday April 14

SE seniors leave for Senior Trip to Memphis
SE District FFA Banquet in Girard

2:30p SJHS Track & Field at Baxter Springs
4:30p SHS Baseball at Quapaw (1JV/1C)
6:30p Cherokee City Council meeting

Friday April 15

SE Forensics at NFL IE in Pittsburg
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Frontenac
4:30p SHS Softball hosts Columbus (1V/1JV)

Saturday April 16

Junior High Mid America Music Festival at Pittsburg State University
SE Forensics at NFL IE in Pittsburg
9:00a PSU Mini Mudder & Gorilla Dash at Pittsburg State Baja Course

Monday April 18

SE SkillsUSA at State in Hutchinson
1:00p SJHS Track & Field at Columbus
3:30p SHS Track & Field at JV Relays in Riverton
4:30p SHS Baseball hosts Jayhawk-Linn (V/JV) - [NOTE location change: is now in Cherokee](#)
[6:00p Spring Music Program for SJHS/SHS \(5th-12th grades\) at Southeast High School](#)

Tuesday April 19

SE SkillsUSA at State in Hutchinson
11:30a-1:00p Come & Dine Lunch served at Osage Church of Brethren near McCune
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Varsity Relays in Columbus
6:30p Riders Meeting at Cherokee American Legion

Wednesday April 20

11:30a-1:00p Come & Dine Lunch served at Osage Church of Brethren near McCune
12:30p-3:30p Chicopee Card Game Club at Chicopee Community Center
[6:30p 8th Grade Parents meeting at SJHS](#)

Thursday April 21

11:30a-1:00p Senior citizens lunch at Cherokee Community Center
2:00p SJHS Track & Field at Northeast
4:30p SHS Baseball & Softball at Riverton (2V)
5:00p-7:00p Meat & Greet protein food pantry at First Baptist Church of Cherokee
[6:30p Spring Music Program for SES \(PreK-4th\) at Southeast High School](#)

Friday April 22

SE Elementary School Career Day
SE FFA at Coffeyville CC Aggie Days
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Fredonia Relays
4:30p SHS Baseball hosts Riverton (2 JV)

Saturday April 23

KSHSAA State Music Festival in Salina
SE FFA Chapter Banquet
7:30a Breakfast at Cherokee American Legion

Sunday April 24

4:00p Cherokee American Legion joint meeting

Monday April 25

State Entrepreneurship Challenge Competition
[4:30p SE Baseball & Softball hosts Colgan \(2V\)](#)

Tuesday April 26

11:30a-1:00p Come & Dine Lunch served at Osage Church of Brethren near McCune
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Baxter Springs JV Relays
4:30p SHS Baseball at Colgan (2 JV)

5:30p-6:30p Cherokee Ruritan Bingo at Cooky's Diner in Cherokee

Wednesday April 27

12:30p-3:30p Chicopee Card Game Club at Chicopee Community Center
6:15p-7:15p Cherokee Ruritan Club meeting at Cooky's Diner

Thursday April 28

4-State High School Honor Band at Pittsburg State University—Performance time TBA
2:00p SJHS Track & Field at Conference in Columbus
3:30p SHS Track & Field at Neodesha Relays
4:30p SHS Baseball & Softball at Girard (2V)

Friday April 29

[4:30p SHS Baseball hosts Girard \(2 JV\)](#)
[4:30p SHS Softball hosts Liberal \(1V/1JV\)](#)

Saturday April 30

State Forensics at TBA
[7:30-9:30a \(or when food runs out\) FREE Breakfast for the public—District Appreciation—at Southeast High School](#)
[7:00p Aloha Dance at SJHS \(for 6th-8th graders\)](#)

Sunday May 1

Kansas FFA State Contest
3:00p Auxiliary Meeting at Cherokee American Legion

Monday May 2

Kansas FFA State Contest
4:30p SHS Baseball & Softball at Frontenac (2V)
[6:00p USD 247 Board of Education monthly meeting \(moved up due to May 9 SJHS Promotion Ceremony\)](#)

Mark Your Calendar

May

- 7, 2p—SHS Senior Graduation
- 9, 6p—SJHS 8th Grade Promotion
- 10—SES Awards Ceremony & Field Day (5/12 make up if needed)
- 10—SHS Debate/Forensics Showcase
- 16—Last day of school (pending weather changes)

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