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Developing Leaders

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Amick to Lead the Way! By: Skylar



<u>Click here to listen to the full interview of Mr.</u>

Amick.

We are very excited to announce Mr. Lance Amick as our new superintendent! He doesn't plan to change much in his new role since he feels we have been under great leadership already, but he does plan to do a lot of listening and enhance anything that needs to be.! There were many factors that contributed to Mr. Amick filling this position and he is always looking for a challenge! He is thrilled that he will get to reach out to even more people now. It is what he has always wanted to do. Mr. Amick is very excited and grateful to get to fill this role. He has worked very hard to get to this point and is extremely thankful to have had many people to support him throughout his journey. Mr. Amick has filled many roles at Scott City such as: P.E. teacher, middle and high school

assistant football coach, boys and girls basketball coach, softball coach, baseball coach, assistant track coach, bus driver, high school principal, and has served on many committees throughout his career here. He will miss seeing all of the students around school, but he still wants to stay connected with them to see their future achievements. Mr. Amick is thrilled to have Mr. Steven Hendricks as his replacement for our new high school principal. Mr. Hendricks has worked very hard as well, and Mr. Amick is very grateful that he will be filling his shoes, and is excited to see what Mr. Hendricks will continue to do for the students and staff at Scott City High School.

Hendricks to Helm High School in 2024-2025

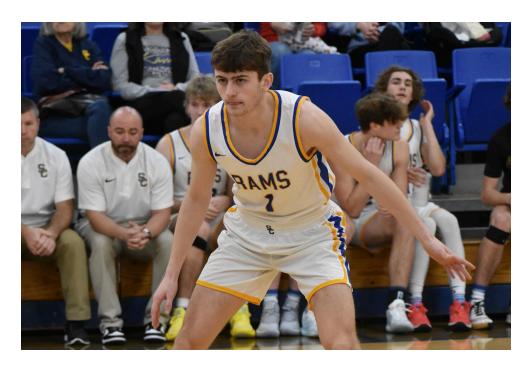
As many of you know, SC is getting a new high school principal in Mr. Steven Hendricks. Mr. Hendricks has been at this school for 15 years, from being a teacher's aide, teacher, volleyball & basketball coach, assistant principal, and now our upcoming new high school principal. Mr. Hendricks is feeling excited for this new step in his career, but a little anxious like anyone would be. Even though he didn't want to be an administrator at first, he has grown to be excited and prepared to become one. He wishes to still teach students, just in a new capacity. Mr. Hendricks wants to still impact students by allowing them to choose a career path that they love or aspire to. He does understand how hard the job of administrator can be and all of the challenges it may bring, but he is prepared to take on those challenges. He is also ready to learn more to become the best he can be at his job. Mr. Hendricks has been in the center of learning for

the past five years under Mr. Lance Amick, which will make him a good fit for the job. Mr. Hendricks stated that he has been lucky to have worked with and learned from both Mr. Amick and Mrs. Ort, and plans on emulating both of their strengths. Joining our administrative team next year will be Mr. Joseph McClarty from New Madrid County Central. He will take over as the new assistant principal for the middle and high school. In the elementary, Mrs. Morgan Sides will be assisting Dr. Keisha Panagos. Mrs Sides joins us from the Jackson R-2 District. Everyone is looking forward to a great new school year with an outstanding new administrative team!

By: Jodie



Mr. Steven Hendricks named new high school principal for 2025 school year.



Boys Basketball Sees 20+ Wins!

I sat down with head Boys Basketball coach Mark Dannenmueller at the conclusion of the season. He has been the head coach for Scott City for 14 years. His assistants this season were: Nicolas Hillman, Travis Schiwitz, and Robert Vazquez. There have been a lot of highlights this year, but his favorite from this season were the team practices. The Rams had a very successful season going 22-6, and a neat time was had with the players. There were some injuries this season. Junior, Kobe Watson got hurt before the Christmas tournament and was out for 9 games. Senior Luke Unfleet suffered a concussion in early January and was out the rest of the season. Sophomore, AJ Hayden was out for six weeks in a boot. And Senior, Mark Panagos was hurt at the beginning of the season from football and was unable to practice. There were a lot of kids that stepped up during those times. Coach D's most memorable game was the Puxico game. Puxico was ranked 6th in the state and Scott City beat them at home in front of a big St. Jude Benefit crowd. Coach Dannenmueller celebrated his 200th win this season and said that the future looks bright for the foreseeable seasons. There will be many players returning next year and some middle school players coming up as well. When senior players were asked to share their favorite memories, they submitted the following: Brenden-upsetting Notre Dame at the Christmas tournament my Junior year. Nathan, Kalen, and Blade-getting to play on the NBA/Memphis Grizzlies court. Mark-winning conference my Sophomore year. Luke- beating Saxony Lutheran at home by four points.

By: Ella

Click here to listen to the full interview of Coach D.

MS Shuffles Staff for 2024-2025

By: Mollie

I asked Mrs. Ort about the middle school staff changes for next year and here is what she said, "Mrs. Rhodes, who teaches 6th grade ELA will be moving to 5th and 6th grade Science. Ms. Peterson, who teaches 5th grade ELA will be moving to 6th grade ELA. Mrs. Landwee, who teaches 5th grade Math will be moving to 8th grade Math because Mrs. Tew is retiring. Ms. Porch, who teaches 5th & 6th grade Science will be moving to SEEK because Ms. Laxton is retiring. Mrs. Howell will be retiring so there will be a new 6th grade Math teacher which will be Mrs. Penrod from 2nd grade. Our new 5th grade Math teacher will be Mrs. Moore from Kelly, but she is an SC graduate. Our new 5th grade ELA teacher will be Ms. Heather Conaway who is also an SC alumni." Then I asked Ms. Ort if she is excited about the changes, and she said she is excited about it. She said that she is really happy for the teachers who get to retire because they have worked so hard, and have been really solid educators for many years. She said it's also exciting to see people who graduated from here want to come back and make a difference. Ms. Ort also said that this will be a time of change and our hallways will look different. She said she will miss the people who are retiring, but she is excited for them and the new hires. Mrs. Landewee had this to say about her move, "While 8th grade will be a change of pace for me, I'm up for the challenge. I'm excited to witness the transformation of my former 5th graders into confident 8th graders. It's an honor to be taking over for Mrs. Tew: my former teacher. While I can never truly replace her, I will try my best to teach the class as well as she has done all these years!"



Teacher Retirement Spotlight-Pam Howell

By: Katelyn

I sat down with Mrs Pam Howell to interview her about her time here at Scott City. The first question I asked her is, "How long have you been teaching and have you taught anywhere else?" Her response was that this was her 27th year and that Scott City has been the only school district that she has taught at. Mrs. Howell has taught 1st grade through 6th grade. In 6th grade she taught ELA and Math. She said that her favorite position here was 6th grade Math. She said that what she will miss most about teaching is the kids. The reason she will miss that the most is because there have been a lot of good relationships established here. The thing Mrs. Howell liked most about being a teacher is how she got to help the students understand the subject taught. Mrs. Howell does not know what she wants to do just yet after she retires, but she thinks that God will bring her something good. Some advice she would give someone that wants to go into teaching is to make sure that it is something that you love to do because it is not an easy job, it is not the most well paid job, and there is not a lot of support from people sometimes. "Make sure it is what you want to do and that you're not just doing it for the pay." she reiterated.



Mrs. Pam Howell retires as a 27 year Scott City Ram!

Community Spotlight- Screen Print Invasion

By: Lorna

Skyler Bewley graduated from Scott City School in 2014. After graduation he went off to college. He ended up not liking college very much so he decided to move to Hawaii for a while. He then came across a YouTube video of someone screen printing. It started with him just screen printing as a hobby, but he ended up falling in love and turning it into a business. I asked Skyler what made him want to start this business, and he replied saying that he didn't want a typical job that works 9-5. He felt stagnant, so he wanted to start his own business where he felt there would be unlimited creativity and potential. Screen Printing Invasion is located at 1504 Main Street in Scott City. His business has expanded a lot since it first started. He started off in his garage with twenty dollars to build a handbuilt press machine. It has turned into a storefront and he now has an employee. His favorite thing about running a small business is the relationships you build with all the business owners in the area, but there are also difficulties. One of the challenges that Skyler faced was learning the financial part of running a small business. Overall, Skyler has done an amazing job and is continuing to grow everyday. Reach out to Skyler for all of your future screen printing needs!



SC Alum, Skyler Bewley takes his screen printing business to the next level locally.

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