

**SANTA FE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
MARCH 2022**

**NEWEST MEMBER TO THE ACT TOP 30 CLUB**

Congratulations to Jake Thompson. He is the first member of the “Top 30 ACT Club” for the Class of 2023. Congratulations!

**SFT CLAY TARGET TEAM**

There was a parent/student meeting on Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> to register our students interested in participating for the SFT Clay Target Team. The season begins at the end of March. We have 14 students in the process of registering.

**BAND TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS**

After working super hard for the past two years, the SFTHS band will be traveling to New Orleans on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.

**THE REAL ACT @ SFT**

SFTHS hosted the real ACT test on Tuesday, March 1st for SFT juniors. This is the free statewide ACT testing date.

**ENROLLMENT CONFERENCES FOR 2022-2023**

They are full stem ahead right now. High school staff are meeting with parents and students to plan out their class schedule for the 2022-2023 school year. The goal is to have them completed by Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**CHOIR CONCERT**

Our Combined Junior High/High School choir concert is on Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium!

**HS ART DEPARTMENT**

March is National Youth Art Month.

**SFTHS ART DEPARTMENT FACEBOOK** page (If you haven't already please like and follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/434-SFTHS-Art-107070800993078> ) There are several wonderful exhibits posted and more to come. Senior Showcases are up and running.

## EVENTS



### **KAEA presents Kansas Youth Art Month Exhibit**

#### **March 2-March 26, Topeka Shawnee County Public Library**

Every year March is set aside nationally to celebrate Youth Art. The Kansas Art Education Association coordinates a celebration at the state level, which features an art exhibit and a reception for student artists, parents, and teachers. KAEA also partners with BLICK Art in sponsoring an art competition during Youth Art Month. Entries will be on display at the YAM Exhibit and Award recipients will receive recognition at the YAM Celebration on March 26th during the YAM Celebration/Reception.

#### **March 2-26 Youth Art Month Exhibit**

Alice Sabatini Gallery, Topeka Shawnee County Public Library

#### **March 3-5 National Art Education Association Convention, New York City, National Youth Art Month Exhibit**

#### **March 26 Youth Art Month Celebration/Reception & Awards 1:00-2:30pm**

### **Friends University Art Challenge**

METAMORPHOSIS: THE ART OF TRANSFORMATION

Deadline for entries: March 20, 2022,

#### **AWARDS**

Every entry: \$1,500 visual art scholarship to Friends University.\*

Honorable mention: \$2,000 scholarship.\*

2nd place: \$4,000 scholarship.\*

1st place: \$6,000 scholarship.\*

Best of Show: \$8,000 scholarship.\*

\* Visual art scholarship amounts may fluctuate if combined with other scholarships.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

March 20: Deadline for entries.

April 20: Announce category winners by email to both artist and teacher.

May 20: Deadline for original artwork of winners.

June 3rd: First Friday Art opening for the exhibit. Winning pieces will be on display. Anyone can bring their portfolio to the opening and get a t-shirt and scholarship offer.

**Pioneer League Art Competition *Mythological Madness* April 27th, 2022.** We are really excited this year because it is our first hosting. This is a jampacked all-day event with an

**Exhibition** (25 art pieces each from 7 districts compete for Best in Show), **Drawing Competition** (teams have 2 ½ hour to complete their drawing design from start to finish), and **Sculpting Competition** (teams have 2 ½ hours to complete their sculpture from start to finish). The exhibition is judged while the teams are creating. Then while teams eat lunch their creations for the day are ranked. Our judges this year are **Associate Professor of Art, Brianne Fulton Miller** from Ottawa University, and **Russell Horton, Assistant Professor of Art**, from Baker University.

**May 9th end of semester Fine Arts & Practical Arts Show 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the SFTHS in the commons.** Come check out all of the wonderful things students have created throughout the semester.

### **Activities and Athletics**

#### **Wrestling**

Santa Fe Trail qualified 6 girls and 6 boys for state wrestling by placing in the top 4 at their 4A regional tournaments. The girls finished 2nd in their regional which had over 20 teams. State was in Salina for both the boys and girls. 8 of the 12 wrestlers made it to the 2nd day of competition, with Sierra Dempsey winning 4th place, becoming SFT's first female state medalist.

#### **Basketball**

The basketball teams competed at Sub State the week of 2/28 hosted by West Franklin High School. The boys finished their season 10-11, after they lost a hard fought game to Bishop Ward. The girls are the number one seed, and won their first game over Wellsville. They will play Osage City Friday, and then the winner between West Franklin and Olathe Heritage. The winner of Sub State will play at the 3A State tournament in Hutchinson starting on March 10th.

#### **Dance/Cheer**

Dance practice for the upcoming auditions will be April 2nd from 9:00am to 12:00pm. The auditions will take place on April 9th, from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Cheer tryouts will be on March 26th, with the clinic to prepare March 21-24th, from 6pm-8pm.

#### **High School Play**

This year's play, "Rumors, Take 2", by Neil Simon, will be at 7pm, Friday and Saturday night, March 25-26, and at 2pm Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup>. The cast, crew and director have been working hard for several weeks.

### **Power Club**

The Chargers will compete at the 3A State Power Lifting meet on March 26th in Halstead. The group has had great success in their first year of competition, and hope to PR in their final meet of the season.

### **Spring Sports**

Spring Sports started February 28th. Several options are available for students to get outside and enjoy the spring weather, including boys and girls track, baseball, softball, and boys golf.