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Anderson County Community Connections

ACS Schools Give Back to the Little Ponderosa Zoo

When news broke out this past December about the Little Ponderosa Zoo fire, the whole community of Anderson County was devastated. The Little Ponderosa has been in the county for decades, making it a popular destination for many students of ACS to visit. For a business that has given back to the community in so many ways, students at ACS felt like helping the zoo



recover from the tragic event was a must. On December 18, 2017, the students and families of ACS were more than happy to present the Little Ponderosa Zoo with a donation of \$10,113.85. All funds were raised by the students and families of ACS. It is great to see a community come together when such a tragic event takes place!

ACHS FFA Breaks Records

The Anderson County FFA Chapter became the first ever chapter since 1928 in the nation to have five state winning teams compete at the National FFA Career Development Events Competition. The following teams, coached by FFA Advisor Philip Warfield that competed during the week of October 23rd-28th in Indianapolis: Agronomy, Environmental & Natural Resources, Food Science & Technology, Milk Quality & Products, and Poultry Evaluation. The primary goal of the FFA career and leadership development events are to develop individual college and career readiness skills through personal growth and premier leadership. Individuals are challenged to develop critical thinking skills, effective decision making skills, foster teamwork and promote communication while recognizing the value of ethical competition and individual achievement.



And the winners are . . .

- Agronomy -National Bronze Medal
- Environmental and Natural Resources—National Silver Medal
- Food Science and Technology—National Silver Medal
- Milk Quality and Products—National Silver Medal
- Poultry Production and Evaluation– National Silver Medal



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Agronomy
Career Development Event



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Environmental and Natural Resources
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Poultry Evaluation
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Food Science and Technology
Career Development Event

CHS & Gear Up Students Take on a Night of Hope



CHS culinary and GEAR UP students recently had the honor of being the assistants to the Celebrity Waiters at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Night of Hope.

"This event is something we have participated in for 6 years and are grateful to be part of." says GEAR UP Coordinator Hoppy Merryman. "It really lets our kids see the community come together for a good cause and gives them an idea of how they can be involved in things that amplify our individual gifts". Students from ACHS and CHS culinary programs donated desserts that were auctioned. Community organizers of non profit events are encouraged to contact Hoppy Merryman at amerryman@acs.ac or (865) 963-8467 about volunteer opportunities as TN Promise students are seeking service hours.

CHS Spanish Honors Students Teach Spanish

The Spanish Honors classes at Clinton High School recently went to Clinton Elementary School to teach Spanish lessons to Kindergarten classes. The children learned how to count from one to ten, the names of animals, the colors and emotions all in Spanish. As part of their curriculum, the CHS Spanish Honors students spent countless hours on creating lesson plans for the CES students that would challenge them while being fun and interactive.



"The students really enjoyed this activity. One, because they get to step out of the classroom, and two, because they got to teach something they learned. Oh, and they really liked going to El Tepame afterwards." -Mrs. Broome

"I enjoyed interacting with children that age." - Aleena Vargas

"I liked the excitement on the kids' faces while they were being taught. They were really fun to teach." - Harmony Fine

Senior ACT 30+ Club Makes Their Mark

If you happen to drive by ACHS, you might notice something a little bit different. The Senior ACT 30+ Club has made it's mark on the campus of ACHS. These students now have life-size portraits of them hanging proudly on the light poles of campus. The Senior ACT 30+ Club is a program at both high schools in Anderson County.



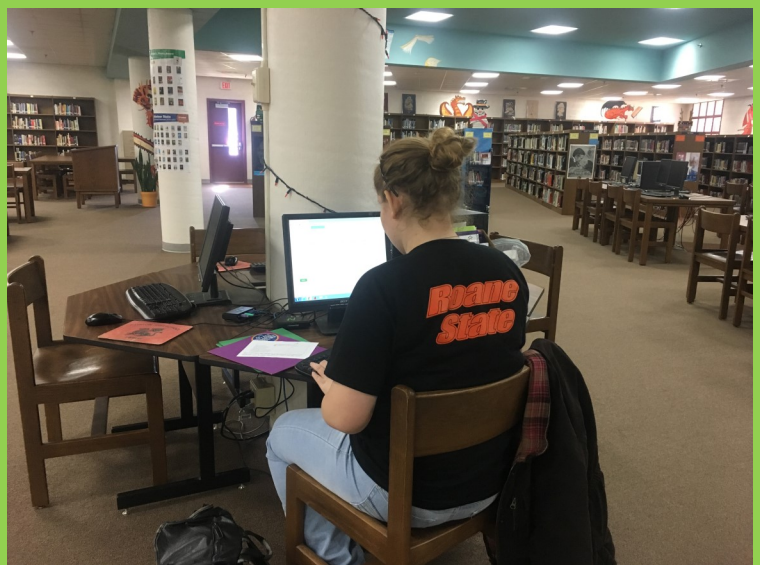
The program is an incentive and motivator for Seniors to score well on their ACT. "We are super proud of our Senior ACT 30+ Kids and we want to recognize that as much as possible. It is a big deal," says Hoppy Merryman. ACHS

would like to thank Kayla Watson, Hoppy Merryman, and Jason Chambers for coming up with the vision of the new portraits and completing it. The project could not have been completed without ACHS Maintenance, David Wood. Sounds like a great way to encourage those high ACT scores!

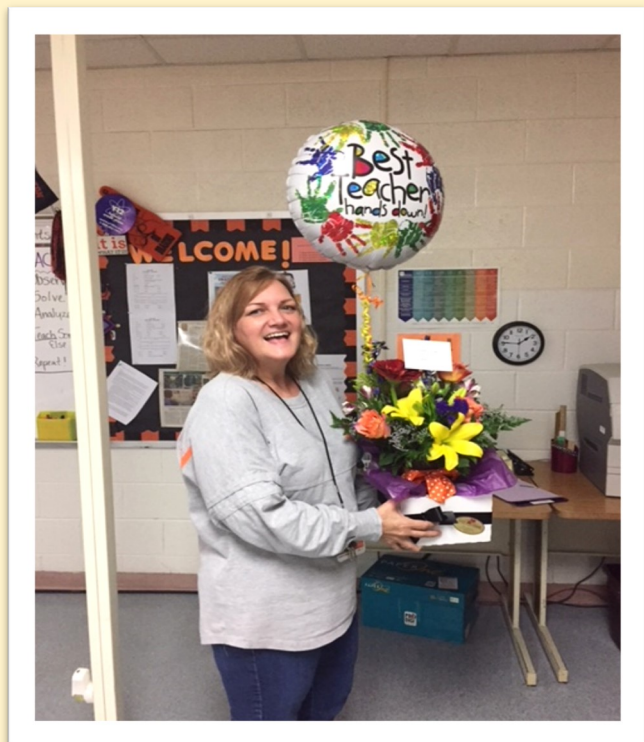


Roane State Gives the Class of 2018 T-Shirts

Roane State Community College recently presented the Class of 2018 and the high school staff members with t-shirts for their participation in Community College Day. Over 500 students and staff received shirts with their school symbol on the front and Roane State on the back. "We really value our partnership with the high schools in Anderson County. Your students are our students and we appreciate the work that is done in Anderson County by the counselors, teachers and GEAR UP to make college a reality for so many", says Jim McDaniel of Roane State Admissions. Clinton High Student Laura Hileman proudly wears her shirt while completing her FAFSA at CHS.



ACS Secondary Teachers of The Year



Clinton High School

Karen Campbell

Karen Campbell teaches business and personal finance and also serves as the ACT Prep Coordinator for Clinton High School.



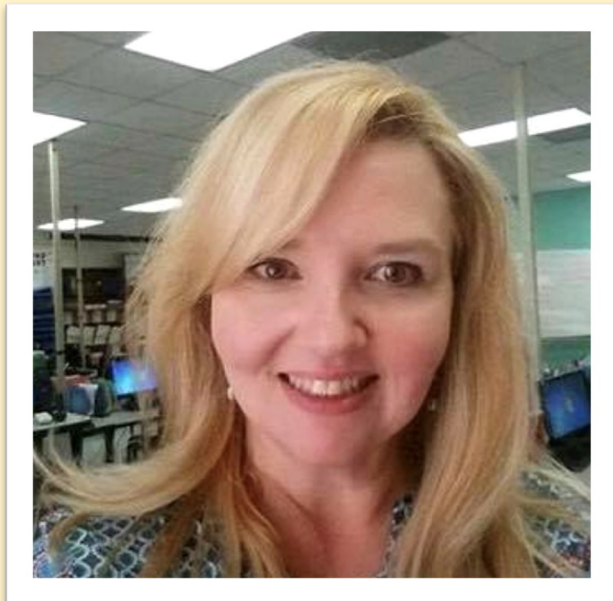
Anderson County High School

Jenny Martin

Jenny Martin is the 9th grade school counselor in addition to helping serve in many other areas when needed.

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**Anderson County Career & Technical
Center**

Julie Capps

Julie Capps serves as a business & personal finance teacher, FBLA advisor, and also serves as the ACT prep coordinator for ACCTC.



Clinch River Community School

Rob Harmony

Rob Harmening teaches Science at CRCS.

Congratulations to all the teachers with Anderson County Schools on winning Teacher of the Year! Thank you for all of your hard work and continuously making an impact on the lives of children in Anderson County.

Full List of ACS Teacher of the Year Winners

High School

School: Teacher Name: Category

ACCTC: Julie Capps: 9-12

ACHS : Jenny Martin: 9-12

CHS: Karen Campbell: 9-12



Middle School

School: Teacher Name: Category

CMS: Ligia Boundy: 5-8

LCMS: Courtney Batchelor: 5-8

NWMS: Stephanie Pridemore: 5-8

NMS: Tallitha Job: 5-8

Elementary School

School: Teacher Name: Category

AES: Ken Bulechek: 5-8

FES: Kristin Parrott: PreK-4

BES: Lindsay Phillips: PreK-4

GOES: Shasta Gilliam: PreK-4

CES: Kimberly Waggoner: PreK-4

LCES: Brenda Goins: PreK-4

DVES: Lucky Brooks: PreK-4

NES: Alison Greenhouse: PreK-4