

# Eagle Talk

Sayre Public Schools

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## SOARING ABOVE

### SAYRE LOOKS TO EMBRACE NEW OPPORTUNITIES

At times, change can be a scary step that is taken with caution and hesitation for fear of falling or failing. However, sometimes change is a welcomed chance to make a lasting difference that outweighs all of the apprehension and anxiety that comes with any attempted transformation. At Sayre we are

eagles? Eagles don't fly through the storm—they fly above it. We are the Sayre Eagles—steadfast in our devotion to finding ways to rise above the storms that hold us back, that hold our children back. We will continue to make the changes necessary--whether it be in curriculum,

*We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.*

*-Walt Disney*

committed to our 2015-2016 campaign of "connecting with kids" and constantly seek out ways to help their educational journey and serve them for the future. Teachers and administrators know that education can be a stormy place sometimes—and most schools and educators prepare for the worst by barring the windows and locking the doors—bracing for some type of impact. But do you know the funny thing about

instruction, nutrition or construction of safe, accessible facilities--to ensure our students' success and give them the opportunity to not only fly—but to soar above it all.

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## BOND PROPOSAL

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- ✓ **VOTE September 8th**
- ✓ \$3.235 million Building Bond Issue
- ✓ \$265,000 Transportation Bond Issue
- ✓ Construct a new elementary safe room and storm shelter that will also serve as the library and computer lab.
- ✓ Auditorium lobby renovation and addition of ADA-compliant restrooms
- ✓ Auditorium stage restoration that will include new LED lighting, curtains, and a wheelchair lift
- ✓ Technology program to include updates to the phone system, surveillance system, network infrastructure, and the purchase of computers.
- ✓ Replace four (4) buses utilized for daily routes



## FOOD, MUSIC, AND THOSE FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

### A NEW BEAT, A NEW MENU, AND FALL SPORTS

#### *Marching to Our Own Beat*

Our Sayre band can be seen in front of the school any day of the week tirelessly marching to the beat of their own drummer—or to the direction of their fearless leader Tim Martin. Mr. Martin does a terrific job of motivating and inspiring our band students to continuously grow and improve. The school band is a great addition to ballgames and helps bring life and spirit to our functions and activities. They have a big competition coming up in the form of the State Fair Band Parade on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The next time you run across a band member or Mr. Martin on our campus, take a moment to thank them for their efforts and dedication to our school system. On another music note, we have completed our auditions for the musical *Oklahoma* and look forward to the production later this fall under the direction of Mrs. Whinery, Mrs. Lakey, and Mr. Martin.

#### *The KEY to Good Nutrition*

It seems the menu here at Sayre has transformed from “school cafeteria” to “café extraordinaire” with the help of Keystone Food Service. Our newly contracted friends at Keystone have helped provide our students and faculty with fresher, more appetizing options for breakfast and lunch. The proof is in the lunch line that usually extends and wraps around the tables inside the cafeteria. The addition of a salad bar has been a particular hit with both students

and teachers. There is no question that nutrition plays a prominent role in being healthy and having the ability to learn. We feel this is just another way to provide our students with better options and give them what they need to be successful throughout their school day. Don’t forget to express your appreciation to our cafeteria staff as you pass through line this month, because without them this service would not be possible.

#### *The Boys of Fall*

What would the onset of autumn be without the cool Friday evenings spent at the football field cheering on our team? Our boys find themselves at an excitable time and a new season under the leadership of Trevor Powers. There is a general consensus of renewed spirit and a positive attitude among our football team—ready to take on whatever the season throws at them. We take on several opponents this month, most notably our homecoming game on September 18<sup>th</sup>. This homecoming game comes as the finale to our Spirit Week that runs September 14-18. Moreover, what would our fans and teams do without our cheerleaders there to spur us on? These ladies do a great job of attending games and functions under the direction and leadership of Stacey Valdez. It takes a lot of time and practice to prep for games and assemblies—show your gratitude by standing up and cheering with them!

#### *Lady Eagles Classic*

Our Lady Eagles softball team has fought hard this season to find their footing and strive toward excellence. Coach Michael Allen has coached the girls this year as they play through their extensive schedule. Sayre will host the Lady Eagles Classic tournament September 17<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck Ladies!

#### *September Highlights*

- ✓ HS Football (see schedule on website)
- ✓ HS Softball (see schedule on website)
- ✓ Labor Day—No School
  - 7<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Bond- Vote Sept 8<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Parent/Teacher Conf.
  - 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:30pm
  - 11<sup>th</sup> 8:00-11:30am
- ✓ Spirit Week (14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>)
- ✓ Constitution Day 17<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Lady Eagle Classic
  - 17<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Homecoming 18<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Elem Pic Day 18<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ State Fair Parade 21<sup>st</sup>
- ✓ Softball Senior Night
  - 21<sup>st</sup>
- ✓ Little Eagle Cheer Camp
  - 26<sup>th</sup>

*-Andrea Dickson*

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