

March 2020

SHESC Messenger



Donations to SHEF Go Further March 19

Match Madness on March 19 is one of the best opportunities to support the educational mission of the Smoky Hill Education Foundation. Every donation made in-person - 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - at the Salina Fieldhouse, 140 N. 5th St. in Salina, will receive up to 50% matching funds from the Greater Salina Community Foundation. Donations can also be made all day online at www.matchmadnessgscf.org/SHEFC. Follow the link to learn more about this year's \$5,000 goal for an educational virtual reality system.

Vaping, E-Cigarettes Focus of April Workshop

More than 1 out of 10 high school students in the US uses e-cigarettes. This is one reason that vaping is a growing concern in schools. On April 9 in Salina, "JUUL, Vape and E-Cigarettes: Unifying the Tobacco Prevention Approach in Kansas Schools" will help educators address this problem and dispel common myths. Visit go.smokyhill.org/vape for more information and to register.



Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities!

March 24 (Salina)
Robotics

March 26 (Hays and Salina)
Tech Cadre

March 31 (Hays)
Teambuilding in the Classroom

April 1 (Salina)
Supporting Social-Emotional Learning Through Grading and Homework

April 6 (Salina)
Proactive Classroom Management

April 6 (Hays); April 7 (Salina)
Student Engagement vs. Student Participation

April 9 (Salina)
JUUL, Vape and E-Cigarettes: Unifying the Tobacco Prevention Approach in Kansas Schools

April 22 (Hays); April 23 (Salina)
Our Language Matters

April 28 (Salina)
ACT, PreACT and WorkKeys: Data and Tools for School Improvement and Student Preparation

VISIT: go.smokyhill.org/workshops for more information and register.smokyhill.org/register to register for these events.

Grant Funds Traveling Exhibit, STEM Workshops

Thanks to a grant from the Greater Salina Community Foundation, teachers and students will have the opportunity to interact with one of the Apollo mission control consoles in a Kansas Cosmosphere traveling exhibit. This exhibit will also be available for public viewing for two weeks at Smoky Hill Education Service Center's

main Salina location.

The \$2,850 grant from the L.P. "Pat" Mullen Fund - announced on February 14 in a special Valentine's Day presentation - will also provide opportunities for hands-on STEM workshops with Steven C. Smith, NASA Education Specialist.

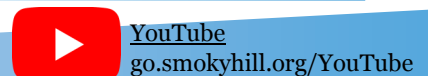
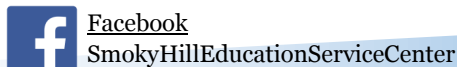


KANSANS CAN AND DO! SYMPOSIUM



MARCH 2-3, 2020
MANHATTAN KS

Register at
www.kaesa.org/kansanscan!



Next PREPaRE Crisis Prep Training Comes in May

Preparing for a crisis is essential for every school, regardless of size or location.

Smoky Hill Education Service Center will host a two-day training workshop from the National Association of School Psychologists called "PREPaRE" to support this planning.

Join us May 18 and 19 in Salina to focus on what to do in the event of a crisis. Topics will include healthy intervention for students and staff; employing a robust response; and helping a school district to stabilize and move forward following a crisis.

Visit go.smokyhill.org/prepare for more information and a link to register.



'Schools of Character' Applications Due in March

Schools and districts across the state are doing great things with social, emotional, and character development. These efforts and accomplishments should be recognized and shared with other schools around the state. Please consider applying for one or more of the Kansas State Schools of Character recognitions.

The Shifting School Culture Recognition is for schools or districts that have developed and implemented an SECD initiative or program for at least one year and are transforming the school culture as well as growing student SECD skills. These initiatives or programs must support the SECD Standards strands and the school or district KESA goals, the Kansas Can School Redesign Project principles, or both. This may not be the same application as a Promising Practice or Enhanced Spotlight.

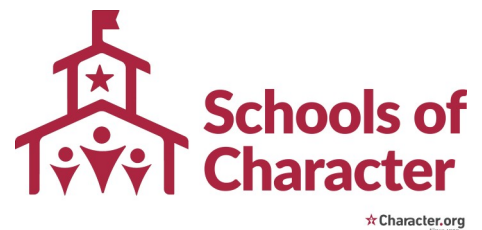
The Enhanced Spotlight Recognition is for schools or districts that are implementing new initiatives or are enhancing existing initiatives that will strengthen the SECD skills in their students and school climate. Initiatives must support at least one of the SECD Standards strands and support one or more of the KESA 5 R's, the Kansas Redesign Principles, or both. This may not be the same application as a Promising Practice or

Shifting School Culture.

These applications are due March 27, 2020, and can be emailed to Noalee McDonald-Augustine at nmcdonald@smokyhill.org. The application fee for each of these recognitions is \$25, payable to Smoky Hill Education Service Center. Visit go.smokyhill.org/character to go directly to the applications.

The Promising Practices Recognition application process must be completed online through the Character.org website, www.character.org, and is for schools or districts that have developed and successfully implemented a unique character practice. Promising Practices put one or more of the 11 Principles into action. The application deadline is March 13, 2020, and has an application fee of \$100, payable to Character.org.

For more information, contact Noalee McDonald-Augustine at nmcdonald@smokyhill.org or Kent Reed at kreed@ksde.org.



"They know enough who know how to learn."

-Henry Adams, 19th Century American Historian

Volume Purchasing Catalogs Updated

New catalogs have arrived! The annual volume purchasing custodial catalog published on February 20; and catalogs for card stock, copy paper, furnace filters, and light bulbs will go live on March 1.

Sign up and learn more at go.smokyhill.org/VP.

Highlights

- Heavy-duty 12-inch dust pan: **62.8% less!**
- Liquid cleaner and disinfectant: **40.4% less!**
- S-14 11W incandescent bulb: **47.5% less!**
- A-21 100W bulb: **Now a 16W LED with 25 times longer life! About \$173 net savings!**

Grant Allows Discount For Anatomy Workshop

Because of a \$6,000 CHIP grant from the **Salina Regional Health Foundation**, the "Hands-On Anatomy" workshop was available at a huge discount for participants! The grant supported the workshop to prepare students for health science careers. **Thank you to the foundation!**



Dates to Save!



March 24 - Salina
go.smokyhill.org/robotics

24th Annual Smoky Hill Education Foundation Charity Golf Tournament

June 1, 2020

go.smokyhill.org/golf2020