

February 2020

<u>SHESC Messenger</u>



'Hands-On Anatomy' Explores Human Body Structures With Clay

At an upcoming workshop, educators will discover there are few better ways to learn about the human body than to *build* it.

On February 26 and 27, presenter Dan Whisler will teach "Hands-On Anatomy," where participants will use human anatomical models and color-coded clay to discover body structures. The materials fee includes clay, a half-skeleton model, and a workbook to take back to the classroom.

The workshop is designed to support the Health Science Pathway by giving tools to increase student success in anatomy and physiology. Instructors will also discuss how to add the pathway using existing courses and adding career connection skills. For more information and to *register by February 10*, visit go.smokyhill.org/anatomy.

KANSANS CAN AND DO! SYMPOSIUM







Registration is still open at www.kaesa.org/kansanscan!

CTE Conference February 4-5!

Still time to register at kaesa.org/cte2020!





24th Annual Smoky Hill Education Foundation Charity Golf Tournament

Our annual tournament supports education across Central, North Central, and Western Kansas.

Visit <u>go.smokyhill.org/golf2020</u> for more information, as well as the flier that includes the registration and donor form.

Registration deadline is May 22.

<u>Upcoming Professional Learning</u> <u>Opportunities!</u>

February 4-5 (Manhattan) CTE Conference

February 5 (Salina)
OVT Chair Training

February 6 (Salina)
Teacher Leadership—Building
Capacity for Change

February 10 (Salina)
Addressing the Issue of Poverty and
Scarcity

February 10 (Hays) LETRS Module 4: The Mighty Word

February 11 (Salina); February 13 (Hays)

Coding Made Simple

February 14 (Salina)
Student Success Skills

February 21 (Salina) KSDE Kansas History, Government and Social Studies Assessment Task Workshop

February 25 (Salina) Energize Your Leadership!

February 26 (Salina or Hays) Tech Cadre

February 26 and 27 (Salina) Hands-On Anatomy (two-day workshop)

February 28 (Salina)
Supporting Social-Emotional Learning
Through Grading and Homework

March 2-3 (Manhattan)
Kansans Can and Do! Symposium

March 4 (Salina); March 5 (Hays) Changing Diversity Intolerance and Creating a Responsive Culture

March 6 (Salina)
PREPaRE Workshop 1: Crisis
Preparedness and Response

March 9 (Salina)
Project-Based Learning 2: Driving
Deeper into the Essential Elements

March 13 (Salina)
Chronic Absenteeism

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









Apply for 'Schools of Character' Recognitions

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 Kansans 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



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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 so.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.

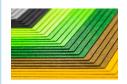
Volume Purchasing Catalogs Go Live February 20, March 1

Prices for five volume purchasing catalogs will be updated in about a month, with prices and supplier terms potentially changing.

Updates to the custodial supply catalog will go live on February 20.

Soon after, copy paper, card stock, air filter, and light bulb catalogs will refresh on March 1.

Visit <u>go.smokyhill.org/VP</u> for more information about the program and available vendors, and to sign up for volume purchasing.











"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." -Aristotle

'Energize Your Leadership!' Workshop Provides Jolt To School Advisors

As the academic year rushes on, the time is ripe to refresh skills, find ideas and resources, and connect with colleagues. "Energize Your Leadership!" - presented by Lori Kiblinger - is designed to do just that for advisors of high school and middle school student organizations. Learn how to develop social-emotional skills and character in student leaders, help students deal with stress and anxiety, and ensure that advisors care for themselves as well. Learn more and register at go.smokyhill.org/energize.

'Match Madness' \$5K Fundraising Goal To Buy VR

As kids, the "Magic School Bus" whisked us off to any time, any place. Modern virtual reality technology allows that kind of experience, only far more engaging and immersive.

Smoky Hill Education Service Center is using the "Match Madness" event on March 19 to raise \$5,000 for an immersive virtual reality system.

The system will help with VR training and student educational events to explore a beating heart, visit global landmarks, and much more!

Donations given in-person or online during Match Madness receive



matching funds from the Greater Salina Community Foundation! Twotrees will also offer demos of the system from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Salina Fieldhouse, 140 N. 5th St.

Read more about VR and watch a demo video at go.smokyhill.org/VR. Learn more about Match Madness at matchmadness.org/SHESC.