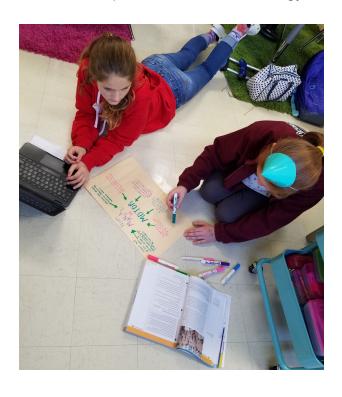
September Board Report/Eagle Flyer

ELAR

Our 8th graders, wrapped up a unit about technology. They read different genres of text about how it can improve or control our lives. After research on both points of view, they created a Public Service Announcement that advocates for saving the economy of their generation. Although technology has made so many tasks more efficient, artificial intelligence in the future could void the majority of jobs for their generation. Their PSAs, electronic or paper format of their choice, raise awareness about being responsible with the implementation of technology!









Math

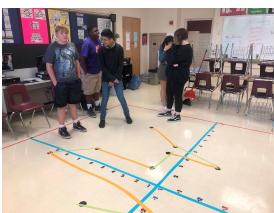
8th Grade STAAR Math and 8th Grade Math classes focussed on identifying Slope through hands on activities of measuring different things around the school. They then used those examples in the classroom setting to implement the formal equations into the lesson. We also spent time on plotting lines on the floor using tape and then determining if the lines are proportional or not. Also during the STEM exercise we implemented what we learned on unit rate to determine the length of every straw after measuring the entire length of the project.













Science

We have been discussing metals nonmetals and metalloids and their physical properties. We have applied this knowledge through lab experiments that test luster, hardness, streak, magnetism and conductivity. We are about to begin our Unit 3 on Force and Motion.







Social Studies

During the month of September, we studied about the First Texans. We analyzed the different tribes around Texas and studied how they lived, where they lived, and how they protected themselves living in different parts of Texas. Then we began looking at the Spanish conquistadors such as Cabeza de Vaca, Hernando de Soto, and Alonso Alvarez de Pineda. We analyzed how each conquistador came to Texas and discussed what motivated them to explore this land. Also, we discussed what each conquistador did throughout their life here in Texas. To close out September, We began studying about Spanish Texas and the Empresario System.









Football

Jr. High football has had a great season so far. The football teams have traveled quite a bit during the month of September with away games in Whitney, Glen Rose, Venus and Godley. The eagles have come away with some good wins so far in the season and have made great progress along the way. We are ready to get some home games under our belts and finish strong in the month of October.











Cross Country

Cross Country has also had a great season so far. The HJHS cross country team has traveled to meets in Keene, Gatesville, Glen Rose, and Grandview. Grade level teams, and individuals have placed at every meet. We are so proud of our Eagles and Lady Eagles!









Volleyball

Jr. High volleyball has been hard at work, practicing during athletics and after school. The HJHS volleyball teams have taken on Venus, Glen Rose, Ferris, Godley, and Brownwood. The girls have a had a good season so far and are showing growth every week.









Band

In band for the month of September, we had one guest performer and one guest clinician. Brendan Carrillo, a double bass performance major, performed some of his solo pieces for each class. He also spoke to the students about the importance of practice. Mr. Ray Chappa came to each class to work as a clarinet clinician. Our clarinets have greatly improved due to his insight and tips and tricks for clarinetists.

The symphonic students are preparing for their first performance of the year at the Veteran's program coming up in November. They are also preparing for ATSSB All-Region auditions in December.

The Concert band is busy preparing stand tunes and the fight song to play with the High School Band at the last home football game coming up November 15th.

Our sixth grade students have been working very hard learning how to hold, care for, and play their instruments. They have been working to produce a quality sound on their first five notes.











Choose Love/STEM Day

On the Friday of homecoming, HJHS had a STEM day full of fun and creativity. Students were put in groups and were tasked with making the longest, efficient straw that they could with only the materials they were given. While teachers were meeting for PLC, students went to the cafeteria for a Choose Love guidance lesson on the first component of Choose Love Formula, Courage. The students discussed what large and small acts of courage looked like, and made word association poems to hang around the school.









GEAR UP

September 23-27 was National GEAR UP week.

7th & 8th grade students received wristbands with their graduation year printed on them 7th & 8th grade students signed the GEAR UP graduation poster as a commitment to work hard and make good choices for a successful future

The entire campus listened to an amazing motivational speaker, Mr. Keith Davis. He did

a great job and conveyed a very powerful message to our kids--- #PUSH (Persevere Until Success Happens), #2nd half, and #your not born a winner or a loser, your born a chooser.

