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CHS now offering night school classes

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This year Conway is changing how students can earn back missed credits. Night school is now offered to students of the Laclede County R-1 School District.

Students who have failed a required course and lack standard credits needed to graduate will be offered the opportunity to earn those credits back in order to graduate on time. Students must complete a minimum number of sessions or a student may finish the academic work sooner, but they must complete the required seated time.

The courses offered during the night school program are not for students to get ahead.

"We want to keep students on track to graduate with their class. We also want to prevent students from taking freshmen or sophomore-level courses during their senior year because they failed

a course early in high school. Our goal is that all juniors and seniors are on track to graduate and take dual credit courses, participating in Greater Ozarks Center for Advanced Professional Studies (GOCAPS), or earning a certification through LTCC," said Conway High School Principal Jaymes Wapp.

There are two opportunities to earn back those credits while in the night school program. There is credit recovery and credit acquisition available to students.

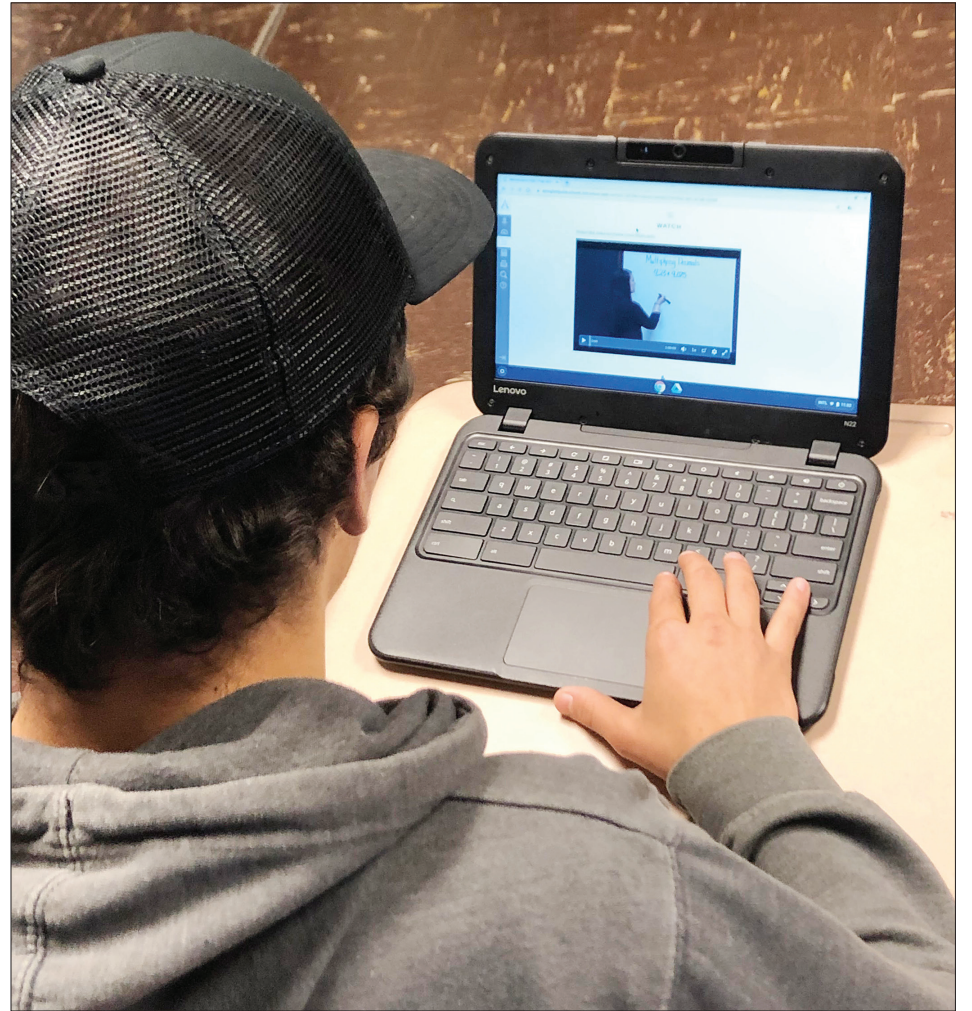
Credit Recovery is only offered to students who failed the class within 10 percent of passing grade (50-59 percent). Students who will be in credit recovery will be allowed to pass with a D-grade and receive one-half credit after completing the required course.

Credit Acquisition is for students who failed the class with below 50 percent. Students who failed the course with

a 50 or below will be taking an online class through the Launch Program. If students complete the online course with a minimum of 80 percent, they will receive one-half unit of credit. Students cannot miss more than 6 sessions in a row, or they will be dropped from the roster and removed from night school.

With night school offering students the opportunity to earn credit from a previously-failed course, students now have one semester and summer school to complete the required course. If students do not recover the course in this time frame, they will have to completely retake the course.

The school will be offering night school Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Spradling and Ms. Vestal are now working with students to help them recover credit from the Fall 2019 semester.



A Conway High School student takes an online class through the new Launch Program.

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Laclede County R-1 School Board minutes for February

**Laclede County R-1
Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 17, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
High School Library**

Call to Order/Roll Call: Board President Kevin Dampier called the meeting to order with five members present. Members included Travis Doing, Norman Webster, Andy Triplett, Kathleen Atkinson-Williams, and Lug Massey.

Pledge of Allegiance: All present united in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda: Lug Massey made a motion to approve the consent agenda; the motion received a second. Motion carried 6-0. Items approved were the authorization of payment of the 2020 bills, the minutes of the January 2020 Board meeting, and the February ridership report.

Public Comment: There were no comments to the Board at the meeting.

Student/Staff Recognition: Students Reed Wilson (K), Eva Williams (2nd grade), and DeLainie Hedger (6th), were selected as the elementary December Students of the Month for

demonstrating the Leader in Me Habit #3: Put First Things First. Brinlee Letterman (1st), Joel Oliver (2nd), and Joelynn Draves (5th) were selected as the January Students of the Month for demonstrating the Leader in Me Habit #4: Think Win-Win.

Students Sam Luallin (8th grade) and Sidney Ward (11th grade) were recognized as being the JH/HS December Students of the Month, and Abbie Brake (7th grade) Simon Livingston (12th grade) were recognized as being the January Students of the Month.

Administrative Reports: Building Principals Rob Wolff, Tyler Vestal, and Jaymes Wapp, along with Superintendent Mark Hedger, updated the Board of points of interest throughout the current month.

Old Business: A. Vo-Ag Building: Superintendent Mark Hedger updated the Board on the Vo-Ag building project.

B. SRO: Lug Massey made a motion

to contract services from Inglorious Protection, LLC for the period of one year. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 5-1 with Kevin Dampier, Kathleen Atkinson-Williams, Lug Massey, Travis Doing and Norman Webster voting in favor and Andy Triplett voting in opposition.

C. MSBA 2019C Policy Update-Second Reading: The second reading was held on the MSBA 2019C policy update.

Travis Doing left at 7:55 pm.

New Business: A. Health Insurance Renewal: Kevin Dampier made a motion to cap the district's defined contribution at \$500.00/

per employee, per month. The motion received a second. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 3-2 with Kathleen Atkinson-Williams, Lug Massey, Kevin Dampier voting in favor, with Norman Webster and Andy Triplett voting in opposition.

Adjourn to Executive Session: In

accordance with RSMo 610.021 (3) (13) Lug Massey made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel matters in the district; the motion received a second. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 5-0. The time of adjournment was 8:03 p.m.

**Laclede County R-1 Board of Education Meeting #2
Feb. 17, 2020 – 10:09 p.m.
High School Library**

Call to Order/Roll Call: Board President Kevin Dampier called the meeting to order with five members present. Members are Norman Webster, Andy Triplett, Kathleen Atkinson-Williams, Travis Doing, and Lug Massey.

Adjournment: With no further business before the board, Lug Massey made a motion to adjourn the monthly meeting; the motion received a second. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 6-0. The time of adjournment was 10:09 p.m.

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Board Secretary



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