



April 2008
Satanta Grade School
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State Assessments

The students have completed the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Reading and Mathematics assessments. Each assessment had three sessions, so over 600 sessions have been completed and preliminary results are available. In the next month, there are several other assessments that will be completed. The fourth grade students will take a two part Science assessment and sixth grade students will take a two part Social Studies assessment. Second language learners from kindergarten to sixth grade will also complete the Kansas English Language Proficiency Assessments (KELPA) in speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The Science, Social Studies, and KELPA results will not be available until summer.

Kindergarten / Preschool Round Up

To enroll in Kindergarten, students must be five years old by August 31, 2008. For the next school year Satanta Grade School will again offer a preschool program for four-year-old children. We have received the continuation grant that funds this program. (We have also received the continuation grant for the Parents as Teachers program. Both grants are due the first of May). Students must be four years of age on or before August 31, 2007 and meet at least one of the following criteria.

- Child would qualify for free lunch
- Child lives with only one parent
- One parent lacking a high school diploma or GED certificate
- Teen Parent(s) - one parent was 13-19 at the time of the child's birth
- Limited English proficiency—a child whose "first" language is other than English
- SRS Referral
- Migrant status
- Developmentally or academically delayed

Children who qualify with multiple criteria receive priority consideration for enrollment.

The Round Up is an opportunity for the children to visit the classroom and parents to begin filling out enrollment forms. It will be held April 28 at 7:00 p.m. Parents will receive information that will help to insure a smooth transition to kindergarten and preschool.

End of Year Happenings

Staff members are planning and finalizing the arrangements for the spring concerts, field trips, field day, and the awards assembly. Additional information for these will be shared in May.