

Bluestem Mercantile

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Our Story



- Opened March 4, 2019
- Downtown Presence
- Our goal was to have a place where students could learn life skills, accounting, video production, and have a service for our community.



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Bluestem Elementary

- Greenhouse established 2003
- Elementary school provides jellies, jams, salsa, eggs, plants, vegetables, flowers, and all cuts of beef
- Chicken Coop established 2007
- School Barn established 2015
- School Farm (cattle, goats, chickens, sheep, ducks and rabbits)



Bluestem Jr. Sr. High School



- Graphic Design (Art) class designs for our custom candles, jellies, and the items used for "Branding" our store.
- Shop class makes cutting boards, corn hole boards, tables, fishing pole racks, charcuterie boards, and any upkeep on wood items in the store.
- NHS sells cake-pops during Valentine's Day.
- Life Skills makes rose bouquets, Father's Day gifts, pillows, and created our Bluestem Mercantile Candle line.
- Graphic Design Class makes aprons, t-shirts, cups, license plates, and custom items for community.
- Video production makes commercials for our store.



Student and Vendor Entrepreneurship

- Our local community has a chance to sell their items in our store. We do not have a booth rent but charge them 15% from items sold.
- Students can sell items at our store if it is not conflicting with school made items.



Fresh Produce and Rural Grocery Store

- Contract with Griggs Brother's Farm for fresh vegetables and fruit
- Walnut Valley Packing packages our school beef for sale
- Stroot's Locker in Mulvane has our pork products
- Farm Fresh Eggs from our school
- We sell other grocery items from EVCO and Sam's





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