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Afterschool program participants top 500
By MICHAEL DUNN
Topeka, Kan.

Schools enrolled in part of the state's largest afterschool program, the "Big Red" program, have reached a milestone, with more than 500 participants enrolled in the program for the first time.

The program, which is a partnership between the state and local schools, provides a safe and supervised environment for children to stay after school. The program is open to children ages 5 to 12, and is available at 100 schools in Topeka.

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Parent-teacher conferences

Child care providers, who are often the first to notice a child's learning difficulties, are being encouraged to attend parent-teacher conferences. These conferences are held at the beginning of the school year and provide an opportunity for parents and teachers to discuss the child's progress and any concerns.

Character a Ward
Lindsey Dyer, 14, of Topeka, Kan., was named the 2013 Character a Ward winner. She was recognized for her volunteer work and leadership at her school.



Charges amended in Kansas sex trafficking case
By MICHAEL DUNN
Topeka, Kan.

WICHITA — A federal grand jury in Wichita amended charges against a woman accused of sex trafficking in Kansas. The woman, who is currently in custody, is charged with multiple counts of sex trafficking and harboring a fugitive.

The charges were amended to include a new count of sex trafficking, which carries a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison. The woman is currently facing a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison.

Three defendants convicted in \$28.5 million drug conspiracy
By MICHAEL DUNN
Topeka, Kan.

WICHITA — Three defendants were convicted in a federal court in Wichita for their roles in a \$28.5 million drug conspiracy. The defendants, who are currently in custody, are charged with conspiracy to distribute controlled substances.

The conspiracy involved the distribution of large quantities of controlled substances, including cocaine and marijuana, to various locations in the Topeka area. The defendants are currently facing a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison.

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