



Russell Creel, the Chancellor of the Knights of Columbus, presented a check to Ann Stoeckmann, the After The Bell coordinator, for \$1,000 for the After The Bell Program at Prairie River Middle School. The program helps keep young people focused after school between the hours of 3 to 6 p.m. Research shows that children who are supervised and engaged in structured activities are less likely to participate in high risk activities. For middle school students, being supervised after-school reduces by half the risk that they will smoke, drink or abuse drugs.

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