

ANOTHER YEAR GONE

This month marked the end of the 2024-2025 academic year, and it was bittersweet to say the least. It never gets easier to see our seniors walk out the door for the last time, but it also never fails to bring unmeasurable pride to see them and our graduate students walk across the stage to get their degree! As the halls empty, we can all take a collective breath as Summer inches closer and the weather outside is finally more agreeable. Congratulations to all our graduates, we can't wait to see the places you'll go!

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- June 19th - Juneteenth (University Closed)
- June 21st - First Day of Summer!

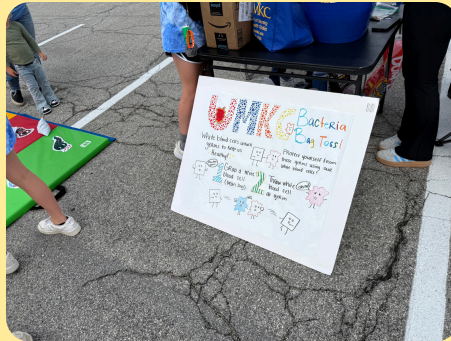
PHOTOS OF OUR GRADS





STEM Day at the K

This year, SoNHS Participated in STEM Day at the K again, an event that attracts thousands of kids from the local community to Kauffman Stadium to spend a day learning about STEM careers while having some fun! We brought out our classic “Bacteria Bag Toss” game where the kids throw “white blood cells” (bean bags) to squash germs! There were approximately 13,000+ kids at the event, many with their parents and/or teachers, so it was busy to say the least!



R1 Celebration at Union Station



On the 28th, UMKC held a public celebration to commemorate our R1 designation that we achieved this year! It was attended by several local bigwigs, including the Mayor, Quinton Lucas! There were exhibits from the different schools involved in research as well as remarks from Chancellor Agrawal and Mayor Lucas. SoNHS brought one of our life-like simulation mannequins that our nursing students work with in our simulation lab, used to work through “real-life” situations with a patient.

RESEARCH ADVANCEMENTS

Here's this month's announcements and updates on research that has been published or grants that have been received by our research faculty and students!

SONHS SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS : MAY 2025

*Indicates Student

Theresa C. Brown

Wineinger, T. O., Fry, M. D., Long, H., & Brown, T. C. (2025). The influence of ego-involving climates on perceived competence and commitment for U.S. Masters swimmers. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 16, Article 1574429. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2025.1574429>

Mei Rosemary Fu

Peng, H., Shi, J., Tang, J., Li, Y. X., Li, X., Guo, X., Lu, M., Wan, X., Luo, B., Fu, M. R., Li, Y., & Hu, Y. (2025). Outcome reporting in neonatal septic shock studies: A systematic review. *Australian critical care : official journal of the Confederation of Australian Critical Care Nurses*, 38(4), 101227. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aucc.2025.101227> PMID: 40187123.

Amanda Grimes

Grimes, A. & Frisch, M. (2025). Impacts of free bike share on social determinants among college students: a protocol for a quasi-experimental study. *Journal of Transport & Health*, 43 (August). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jth.2025.102082>

Lightner, J.S., Gardiner, K., Grimes, A., Shook, R.P., Hampl, S., Prochnow, T., & Collie-Akers, V. (2025). Communities Leading Change: Using implementation science to improve physical activity and nutrition among racially minoritized communities in Kansas City. *Health Promotion Practice*. doi: 10.1177/15248399251343048

Joseph S. Lightner

Lightner, J.S., Gardiner, K., Grimes, A., Shook, R.P., Hampl, S., Prochnow, T., & Collie-Akers, V. (2025). Communities Leading Change: Using implementation science to improve physical activity and nutrition among racially minoritized communities in Kansas City. *Health Promotion Practice*. doi: 10.1177/15248399251343048

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCHERS

Karlin, J., Bennett, T., Michael, L., Rafie, S., & Berlan, E. D. (2025). A systematic comparison of implementation strategies at three U.S. clinic settings that expanded access to self-administered injectable contraception. *Contraception*, 110972.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.contraception.2025.110972>

SoNHS SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

*Indicates PhD student; Bolded names indicate faculty and researcher.

Mei Rosemary Fu

Fu, M.R. (May 20, 2025). A geo-social-cultural-ecological approach to breast cancer screening among Black Americans. KC Breast Cancer Health Equity Taskforce. Zoom Meeting. 9-10am.

Fu, M.R. (May 3, 2025). Lymphatic Health: A LymphFit Solution. UMKC (University of Missouri-Kansas City) 2025 Research Collaboration Summit. Bloch Executive Hall, 5108 Cherry Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Amanda Grimes

Grimes, A. (2025). Wheels of Change. UMKC (University of Missouri-Kansas City) 2025 Research Collaboration Summit. Bloch Executive Hall, 5108 Cherry Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Steven Chesnut

Mei Rosemary Fu

Anita Skarbek

Sarah Patel

Skarbek, A., Fu, R. M., & Chesnut, S. R. (May 2025). Mastering the art of peer review: Tips and strategies for constructive feedback. In S. Patel (Moderator) Lunch and Learn Series in the School of Nursing and Health Studies at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. (Open to University and Public).

