



# Highlights

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

## Moreland Elementary



December was a fabulous month at Moreland. Our PTA sponsored a Polar Express Activity for our 1<sup>st</sup> graders. Our first grade students performed Christmas songs for their families, and last but certainly most exciting... Santa came to visit Moreland Elementary. He brought Mrs. Clause, recruited two very fine elves to keep Santa on time so every student was able to sit on his lap. It was rumored that Santa has his sister working as a secret spy in our Kindergarten team to watch for the naughty and nice here at Moreland.



## Riverside Elementary

Our Second Graders got us all in the spirit of Christmas as they performed a musical program for students, teachers, and parents. It was held on December 17, which was the last day of school before our Christmas break. They did a very nice job!

We recently held an assembly where two students from each class were recognized for their good examples of being responsible. A new character focus "Caring" was introduced and all of our students will work this month on being thoughtful, kind, and considerate of others.



A total of 31 boys and girls stayed after school last week to participate in the Hoop Shoot. Rod and Marcy Albertson were the contest coordinators and they had several parent volunteers who helped. We appreciate our parent helpers so much! Izybel Talbot and Libby Gilbert were the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners for the girls. Justin Wray and Breck Gibbs were the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners for the boys. They were all eligible to compete in the local contest at Mountain View Middle School. Izybel Talbot won 1<sup>st</sup> place there and is now eligible to compete and represent Riverside and Snake River at the next level!

## Rockford Elementary

December is always one of our favorite months of the school year. We have an action-packed month. To start the month off, we had our attendance assembly. There were 73 students with perfect attendance for November.



On December 7th and 8th, we had our annual Bread in the Bag where the students learn about wheat grown in Idaho and then get to make sweet bread. They love the opportunity to make something with their hands and then the bonus that they get to eat it. We are very grateful for our parent volunteers. Without them, we couldn't do this amazing activity.

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## Rockford Elementary (Continued)



Mr. Loveland got to be the Christmas tree when the High School Chambers came to regale us with their wonderful singing. Mr. Turpin and Mr. Bonney were more than happy to let him have all the glory.



Our students did a spectacular job in the Christmas program this year. Mrs. Atwood came back to help the cast and Mrs. Anderson

conducted the students in their music. Mrs. Diana Williams played the piano for the program. We so appreciate her willingness to share her awesome talent with us. The students really came through on our canned food drive. We collected 592 food items. Mrs. Leavitt's class gathered the most with over 180 items. The food was donated to the pantry in Blackfoot. McTeacher night for Rockford will be January 20th from 5 to 7 PM. Please come and support our school and enjoy a wonderful dinner.

## Snake River Middle School



On The 6<sup>th</sup> grade Christmas program was a great success. It provided an opportunity for our students to share their musical talents with their families, fellow students, and our community during the Christmas season.



The annual Elk's Lodge Hoop Shoot was held January 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. The school winners in the 10 and 11 year age group

were: Marcus Luis, Daniel Wray, Abby Gilbert, and Daizhia Pena. The winners in the 11-12 year old age group were: Ryker Watt, Kason Palmer, and Ashlyn Fillmore. They will advance to represent our school at the next level. Congratulations!

Benchmark testing will be conducted this month in both Star Reading and Star Math. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be completing their STEM bridges projects this month in science, as well as, their study of Canada in Social Studies. 5<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies classes completed a hands on activity centered on colonial life. Student Groups built representations of colonial settlements out of edible materials with the purpose of creating and later distinguishing details associated with New England, Middle Colonies, and Southern Plantations. They then charted specific details on a rubric. Awards were given based on student assessments. Teacher In-Service will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup> and Teacher Prep Day will be January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on January 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7:30 in the evening. Teachers will meet with parents in their classrooms.



## Snake River Jr. High School

The Junior High was glad to have a nice holiday break... but jumped right back into learning at the start of the year to live up to our motto of 'Students Learning Everyday'.

One of our new improvements this year will be Friday School. We are excited to offer (most) Fridays from 8-12 an extra opportunity for kids falling behind to catch up. They will be offered extra time, help, and tutoring. The students will always have a certified teacher and an Americorp volunteer to help them with anything they need. Our first day for this new program will be Jan 22nd. On January 13<sup>th</sup>, our Honor Society Induction will take place from 7-8pm. The new 7th grade inductees will be walking the stage. And the 8th grade inductees from last year along with family and friends will be there to support them. We are so proud of the kids that make this level of achievement.

Our SMASH program is also off to a great year! They currently have many after school activities being offered to include: acting, karate, crafts, wood working, the arts, baking, sports, science etc. We are so grateful to have this resource in our community!!

## **Snake River High School**

This year Snake River Executive Council put on the annual Christmas Charity Assembly. For this assembly members in the council collect donations from local businesses to auction off to the community and the Snake River High School student body. The Student Council collected over a hundred donations, resulted in raising over \$5,500. This money was used to buy Christmas presents for 23 children in our community, as well as Christmas dinner and food storage for those eight families. With the money raised the student council bought blankets, toys, movies, and clothes for the families.

## **High School Program Highlights**

Nine BPA members competed at Regionals in January. Michael Blight got first in website design and second in entrepreneurship and Shad Hess got second in website design and third in PC troubleshooting. It was a fun day and they are pumped for state!

