



# Highlights

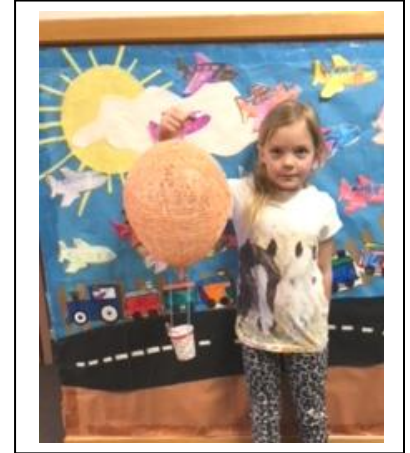
Wednesday, February 21, 2018

## Moreland Elementary

Winter assessment scores are in, tallied, evaluated, and next steps for student learning are in the works. We are excited to be approved through the state to pilot the math assessment process called i Ready. We will be sending 2 teachers, along with Sherrilynn Bair, to be trained in this process March 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>.

At Moreland, we know learning is our goal, but we have not forgotten the importance of creativity in students and their work. Kindergarten is in the middle of their transportation unit. The students have created cars, tractors, trains, boats, airplanes and hot air balloons so far. They are excited about their creations of ways to travel.

Valentine's Day was a creative expression success too. Students created their own valentine bags at school for the collection of the valentines they received. They chose and wrote on their valentines to give friends and teachers. We had so much fun at Moreland on Valentine's Day. The kids seemed to be more excited about Valentine's Day than they were for Christmas. Great learning along with some great creating is ongoing here!



## Riverside Elementary

Two students from each class were recently recognized at our Character assembly for demonstrating the trait of "Caring." The teachers chose students who were thoughtful, kind, and considerate of others. The trait students are focusing on now is "Citizenship."

We want to thank the community, and parents for their support and turn out for the third grade patriotic program. The students worked hard this month preparing for the program by learning their songs and their parts. We want to thank everyone who served in the military! Thank you for your service!



We are glad the weather is warming up and the snow is melting. We are happy to see the ground and the students are happy to go outside for recess.

## Rockford Elementary

January was a month for working hard and learning much. In Mrs. VanOrden's science class the students learned how to make ice cream. They put the ingredients into the sack and saw how things reacted. Changing a liquid into a solid. A yummy and essential science experiment to learn.

Mrs. Kelly's class made some very awesome Idaho string art.



## Snake River Middle School

The students and staff would like to thank the SREF for approving a grant which allowed 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders to attend the movie *Wonder*. It was a culmination activity that supported and enhanced the CCSS reading curriculum. Students completed a Venn diagram comparing the book to the movie.

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are practicing the skills of dodge ball during intramurals. Tournaments are currently being scheduled.

6<sup>th</sup> grade students are completing a narrative writing assignment in their library skill classes with Mrs. Daw. She plans to have their illustrated writing published in book form. Copies will be available for purchase at a later date. 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are making a foldable to enhance their study of literary genres. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are currently working on the annual "Design an Ad Contest," sponsored by the Blackfoot Morning News.

The Privilege Activity will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>. All students who have successfully completed academic requirements for the second Trimester will participate in a variety of games and bouncy toy activities. Students who have not met academic requirements, will be given time to complete any late or missing assignments. They will then join the activity.

6<sup>th</sup> grade students are starting the Bridges Project. This is an annual event that focuses on math and science skills. These toothpick bridges will be built in cooperative groups. 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are preparing edible plant and animal cell projects in their science classes.

Tar Wars will be held on the afternoon of March 8<sup>th</sup> for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Dr. Hill will discuss the hazards of smoking. After which, students will participate in a poster contest. Winners will be featured in the yearly calendar. Congratulations to Emma Poulter, last year's winner.

5<sup>th</sup> grade students will travel to ISU on March 7<sup>th</sup> to attend an orchestra concert at the Stephen's Performing Arts Center.



## Snake River Jr. High School

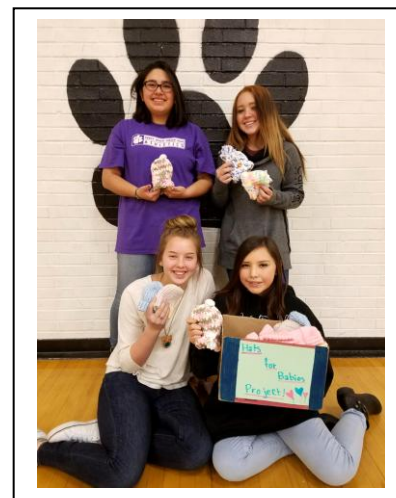
Another month has gone by and a lot has been accomplished here at the Jr. High.

Our basketball boys have wrapped up another season with great success. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys took 2<sup>nd</sup> in their districts. And the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys took 3<sup>rd</sup>. Good job boys! Also, we had a holiday this month, and to celebrate we had an award activity/ Valentines dance for everyone who had all their work in. It was lots of fun!

We also wanted to show off another finished PBL (Project Based Learning) project. A group of four girls (Zoie Jade Thompson, Caidence Bishop, Olivia Bullock, Destiny Capson) did a project to help our local hospital make infant hats. They used their lunch time for several weeks and as a group were able to knit a whole box of small, super soft hats to donate to the Bingham Memorial Hospital. (see photo)

Another great opportunity being offered to 12 of our Jr High girls is 'My Amazing Future'. It is a science, technology, engineering and math workshop hosted by the INL. They will go for the whole day on Mar 9<sup>th</sup>. What an amazing thing to be able to participate in.

Last, but not least, we are working hard each day to prepare our students with the best skills sets available to take their ISAT's coming up in April. We know they are going to do great!!



## Snake River High School

### Girls and Boys Basketball

Congratulations to the Snake River High School Girls Basketball Team on placing 2<sup>nd</sup> at the State Tournament in Boise February 15<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>. They played great and we are proud of them!

The boys basketball team will be playing Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> against Marsh Valley. If they win, they will be going to State the first weekend in March. Good luck!



### Dance

The dance team was able to compete in districts and made it to state! They also got the overall District 5 Academic Award with a team GPA of 3.66. Way to go Dance! They will show everyone how it is done at state. Good luck Pantherettes!

### Wrestling

The wrestling team won Districts this year and 15 wrestlers qualified for State, which will be held at Holt Arena February 23-24<sup>th</sup>. The boys did well this year and were very successful! Way to go and good luck at State!



### Snake River Music Department

Congratulations to the music students who participated at the Idaho's Music All-State this month in Moscow. The students rehearsed with very skilled clinicians for three days and performed in a Gala Concert. They made SR proud! The students representing SRHS were Alex VanOrden, Spencer Williams, Landon Lee, Jerimiah deWit, Paige Williams, Lexi Baron, Mary Baxter, Madison Johnson, Elizabeth Wada, and Hali Toone in the choirs and Naomi Hammond in the orchestra. This is a wonderful honor for these outstanding musicians.

Preliminaries for 5th District Solo/Ensemble Festival was held on Wednesday, Feb 7th. Qualifying students will participate at districts on Tuesday, March 20th in Aberdeen.

Our upcoming choir concerts will on Tuesday, Feb. 27th and will feature the SRJH Show and SRHS Concert Choir. 6:30 & 7:00 pm. Free. Recitals for our piano classes will be held on Feb. 28th and March 1st. Refreshments will be served.



**Back Row** - Naomi Hammond, Spencer Williams, Alex VanOrden, Landon Lee, Mary Baxter

**Front Row** - Madison Johnson, Hali Toone, Lexi Baron, Paige Williams, Jerimiah deWit

**Not pictured** - Elizabeth Wada

### Football

Glazier Coaching clinics sponsored by the Marines presented Snake River Football a season pass to its coaches clinic(\$500) value. Congratulations.



## **Snake River CTE Programs**

Shayla Martin is the Spotlight Teacher in this month's edition of CTEI Congratulations to her for representing our district and SRHS. Thanks to for all of her hard work and success in the Business and CTE program.

### **Member Spotlight:**

Shayla Martin

#### **Teaching Area:**

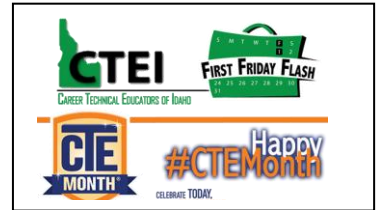
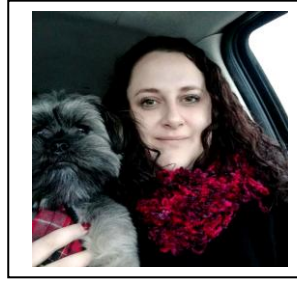
Business

#### **School:**

Snake River High School

#### **How long have you been teaching?**

2 1/2 years



**What do you enjoy most about your job?** I love the excitement the kids get when they achieve industry certifications, and seeing them learn things that will make their lives more productive.

**Why would you encourage a new teacher to engage in their teacher association?** Teacher associations are important to keeping current with the profession. They are a great way to engage in professional development that is actually relevant to what you are teaching. I would encourage not only new teachers to join an association, but also veteran teachers.

**If you could change one thing about your classroom environment, what would it be?** I would like to change the layout of my computer lab to be more conducive to group work. I would also like to see more parents and kids be excited about CTE.

**What is something about you that would surprise people?** I married my husband of 12 years after knowing him for 6 months.

**What is something you would like to learn to do?** I would love to learn how to paint.

**What is one of your goals?** To connect with each student every day. Whether it's just saying hello to them as they enter my room or to have a conversation not about classwork once a month. It's so easy to just focus on the content, but I feel that building relationships with students helps them feel more connected to what I am teaching.

## **Board of Trustees--ISBA Day on the Hill**

On February 19-20, 2018, Superintendent Kerns and Trustees Kent Miller and Marci VanOrden attended the Idaho School Board Association Annual Day on the Hill Event.



**Plant Facilities Levy  
Don't forget to vote March 13, 2018  
Early Voting begins February 26, 2018**