



# Highlights

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

## Moreland Elementary



Mrs. Otterstrom is an amazing Librarian at Moreland. After many months of planning she was able to schedule Mike and Liza from the Classy 97 morning radio show to come and read Green Eggs and Ham to our students and staff. To celebrate Read Across America and Dr. Seuss's birthday, we had a short assembly. Mike and Liza read to the students, modeling how



fluent readers read and how to put inflection in your voice.. Students were handed a sack with some treats in them to enjoy while they did their "stop, drop and read" during the day. Students were allowed to dress up as a Dr. Seuss character, wear a wild hat or crazy socks. We had a lot of participation. Students were engaged and enjoyed the day immensely.



## Riverside Elementary

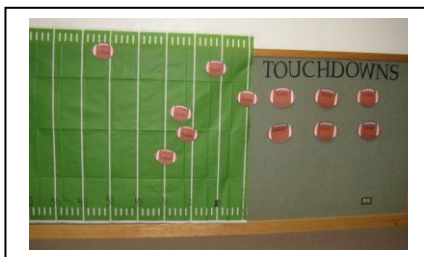


We recently held our Character Assembly honoring two students from each class who best represent "Citizenship." The students were taught that when you have good citizenship you help keep the school clean, make the community a better place, and are a good neighbor by helping others. The character focus for the coming month is "Fairness."



Riverside Elementary hosted a Parent Information Night on February 24<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of this meeting was to give the parents an opportunity to understand our focus as a district and how we are working to ensure student success. Members of our PLC facilitated short classes on Home Connect tools, math homework helps, best reading practices, and Title I. We appreciate those who came and took advantage of the information that was presented.

## Rockford Elementary



The PTA kicked off their fundraiser. Some of the football players from the High School came and told the students how important it is to read, as well as, what their favorite books were when they were in the 4th grade. It was a read-a-thon and the students earned football yardage for every minute they read. We are so proud of everyone's efforts. There was enough earned to pay for the buses for the field trip to the



Oregon trail museum in May. Congratulations also goes to Mrs. Leavitt's class for having the most reading minutes and to Mr. Loveland's class for bringing in the most money.

## Rockford Elementary (Continued)



We had a special guest come in the month of February. His name is Khris Kofford and he does a lot of mountain man activities. He brought skins, traps, and amazing stories. The students really enjoyed everything he had to show and say.



We ended another reading section and some students, McCoy Kofford, Timmie Hutchins, and Tristen Hutchins, from the High School Rodeo program came and showed us what they do. They showed us some incredible videos of their rodeo competitions. They also showed what they wear to stay safe and instructed some of the students on how to rope. We appreciate them taking the time to share with us their talents and hard work.

## Snake River Middle School

The Snake River Distinguished Young Women participants presented a “Be Your Best Self” program for all 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Our students rotated through a variety of activities based on the five themes: Academics, Responsibility, Ambition, Involvement, and Fitness. The DYW participants provided a gift bag for each girl to remind them of the concepts learned. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls will enjoy a “Be Your Best Self” presentation, by the current DYW representatives, on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:15-11:00 in the gym.

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade dodge ball intramural will finish the week of March 7<sup>th</sup> with a playoff game on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30. Parents are invited to attend.

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys’ Maturation Day will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30. Fathers are invited.

Spring Break: March 23<sup>rd</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup>. School will resume on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

March 29<sup>th</sup>: class picture day.

We will end the month with the 3<sup>rd</sup> nine weeks Privilege Activity to be held on March 30<sup>th</sup>. The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, who have met and completed all goals and assignments for this grading period, will participate in a physical fitness activity.

March 31<sup>st</sup> will be the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> nine weeks grading period. Teachers will have a prep day to finalize grades. There will be no school for students K-6 that day.

## Snake River Jr. High School

Fun! Fun! Fun! That is how we have started off our March here at the Junior High. March 1st in Mrs. Thompson's class was market day... the day we look forward to all trimester. It is the end result of a lot of hard work in her money management unit. At the beginning of the unit students are given an account and a check book. They are taught how to balance the account and write checks. The 'pretend' money is used in the class as a reward discipline method. Money can be earned and deposited to their accounts by good behaviors like going the extra mile, 100% on a test, etc. And money has to be withdrawn and paid back for things like caught with an electronic, bathroom breaks, poor behavior etc. During this time the students also are designing a business. This business requires a name /slogan, items decided to sell, and advertisement. On market day each group sets up their market to sell the item their business is producing (baked goods, soda, crafts...it gets pretty creative). Then classes come in with blank checks to purchase from each business. With the money earned they can buy something from another business or deposit it and save it for the last day of school auction. Whewww... lots goes in to this big moment. But it is sooo worth it!!

We ended February with some fun basketball. Our 7th grade boys took 1st (undefeated) district champs. And our 8th grade boys came in 2nd place district champs! Way to go boys!! Also, our SMASH program didn't want to be left out of the fun... so they have been keeping busy with a SMASH bros party, movie night, and a Dr Seuss party, acting, karate, baking, arts and crafts, and science experiments. Fun, fun, Fun!!





# Snake River High School

## Wrestlers for the Win

Snake River took the State Title at the Holt Arena February 26-27th with a team score of 232. Fruitland and Weiser tied in second place with a team score of 203. All five of our finalists took the state championship. The first time state champions were Destin Summers at 98 lbs, JJ Vonderlieth at 120 lbs, and Porter Thomas at heavyweight. Two Wyatt Vogler won at 160 lbs and Payson Anderton won at 195.

Sway Cook placed 3rd at 106, Jose Aguirre got 4th at 113, Sean England got 5th at 152, Ceaton Howell got 6th at 160, Davian Martinez got 4th at 195, and Matt Howell got 4th at 220.



## Boys Basketball At State

The boys basketball team went to Boise March 2-5th. They did well at the tournament, taking 4th place from Shelley in the final minutes of the game.

## Finals Week

March 2nd and 3rd have been the Finals days for the second trimester of the 2015-16 school year. The two-day change in schedule provides enough time for students to finish their finals. The first day will be the first three class finals and then two hours for students to make up missing work, and the second day will be the last three classes of the students' schedules.

## Music



Snake River High School had 14 music students selected to participate in the All-State Honor Groups last month in Pocatello. These students were selected from several hundred auditions - an outstanding honor for these music students who practice with such dedication and follow our directions. Congratulations to the following: Honor Band: Abigail Perkes; Honor Orchestra: Liberty Stokes; Honor Choirs -Back Row: Jordyn Burr, Kitana Caldera, Spencer Barbre, Andrew Baird, Obediah Egbert, Kaden Godfrey, Ethan Murdock Front Row:

Rebecca Waters, Paige Williams, Sydney Simmons, Alexis Burr, and Aunna Williams.



Also attached are pictures of the Barbershop Festival we participated in last month. The International Barbershop Harmony Society sponsors this outstanding festival for high schools in the area. They provide every students with the music, outstanding clinicians and performances. Our students performed with more than 700 students on stage at the Rexburg Tabernacle and had the opportunity to hear "Vocal Spectrum" - one of the world championship barbershop quartets. They were also taught by world-class directors Tori Postma from Salt Lake City and Jim DeBusman from Nashville at our school and again at the Festival. Great event!



- \*Singing & Dancing with the Princesses
- \*Princess Charm School
- \*Get Your Nails Done!
- \*Make Your Own Tiara!
- \*Refreshments
- \*Entertainment & More

Upcoming . . .

Our annual fundraiser . . . March 12th . . . Princess Party and our new addition "Jedi Training Academy" (new this year). We're hoping for another great turnout. See the attached flyers more info. Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbor kids, and all kids who want to have a great day with our choir students.

Fifth District Solo/Ensemble Festival. Snake River has 47 entries this year - a GREAT turnout from our music students. They will be competing against the other 9 schools in our district. We hope several of our students qualify for the state competition in May.

**WHERE?**  
**Snake River High School**  
**WHEN? Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.**



\*Saber Making  
\*Learn Battle Skills \*Contests  
\*Obstacles \*Refreshments  
\*Entertainment & More!

## Business Education

Remynton Bott and Hailey Atkinson both earned Microsoft Office Word certifications 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester. The certification exam is intended to show that students have the knowledge, skills and abilities to productively use Microsoft Office Word. The certification prepares students for an increasingly competitive workforce, increases productivity, heightens career achievement among employees, and ensures employers that employees have the skills that they require for employment.

The Business Education program at Snake River High School offers the certification exams to any student who has above an 85% in the Business Computer Applications 1 class, which is required in 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Mrs. Martin hopes to be able to offer Word, Excel and Power Point certification opportunities to more students, at no cost to them.