



Highlights

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Moreland Elementary



We have been rewarded by having our high school students participate in senior projects. Joselynn Castillo brought 150 dental care bags for our Kindergarten students. In each bag was a toothbrush, floss, toothpaste and a step by step list of how to brush their teeth and for how long they should brush. We would like to give her a big thanks for her time and service!

We love the excitement that St. Patrick's Day brings. Kindergarten students made traps, but once again, the Leprechauns outwitted us. Not a one was caught!

We are looking forward to our visit from the board and have some exciting things to share. Thank you all for your support and encouragement in our efforts to do what is best for students and their success.



Riverside Elementary

Boxtops were gathered and counted in March. The class competition was won by Mrs. Kofford's class for bringing in the most. They were presented with a treat and Pepper the panther to take care of until the next collection. We sure appreciate our PTA for organizing and taking care of the Boxtop project.

Our students had a lot of fun celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday. They were invited to dress up as the career they'd like to have when they grow up, in keeping with the theme of the Dr. Seuss book, "Oh, the Places You'll Go." They also enjoyed a variety of activities that went along with other Dr. Seuss books.

Riverside students continue to be good examples of many different character attributes. In March, two students from each class were recognized for representing "Citizenship." They learned that when you have good citizenship you help keep the community a better place, are a good neighbor by helping others, and help take care of our school. We hope these important lessons stay with our students as they grow up.



Rockford Elementary



In February, we had McTeacher night. It was awesome and we really enjoyed seeing our students and meeting their families. We appreciate McDonald's for allowing us to make some extra money for our school.



Snake River Middle School

The 2nd Trimester Privilege Activity was held on February 28th. Students were given time to complete any late or missing work. 5th and 6th grade students rotated through a variety of activities including a bouncy house, obstacle course, foosball, and basketball toss. A fun time was had by all participants.

5th and 6th grade teachers are sponsoring the Math-A-Thon this year. This annual event serves as a fund raiser for our school. This event has allowed us to purchase supplies and equipment, as well as, make improvements to our school. The money collected will help purchase needed supplies to enhance curriculum. 6th grade science classes are building Lego robots. They are working on STEM and computer programming skills. 5th grade students traveled to ISU on March 7th to participate in an orchestra concert. This is an annual event for 5th grade students.

An alert system-Swiftreach-has recently been added at our school. It is designed to send alerts to parents and staff via phone, text, or email. Parents will be notified of attendance concerns, lunch account balances, school activities, and general information.

The Distinguished Young Women presented a "Be Your Best Self" program to all 6th grade girls on March 15th. Our students rotated through activities that focused 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.

Class pictures will be taken on March 21st. Teacher In-service will be held on March 23rd. Our teachers will judge Senior Projects, as well as, learn first aid skills and the use of the heart defibrillator system that is being installed in our building.

The 5th grade Spelling Bee will be held on March 27th at 9:00. Parents are invited to attend. 5th grade Boy's Maturation Day will be held on March 27th at 2:00. It is sponsored by the S.E. Idaho District Health Department. The boys have been encouraged to invite a father or grandfather to attend with them. Spring Break: March 28th through April 1st. School will resume on April 2nd.



Snake River Jr. High School

Busy, busy, busy as bees here at the Junior High.

*March 5th was first day of our last tri.

*Track practice is starting here March 19, 2018.

*We had a choir concert on Feb 27th combined with the High School.

*And an orchestra concert on Feb 28th also at the High School.

*In recognition of the National Walkout Day the SRJHS opted to use that time, to respect students' constitutional right to peacefully assemble, and allowed our students to participate in an assembly at 10a.m. if they wished to do so. The theme of our assembly was honoring and remembering those students who have died in school shootings, school safety, and our constitutional rights. This was not just a time to "get out of class" or to promote gun control etc. But to better help our students understand the importance of being kind to others etc.

*Our school dance team has done some amazing things lately. At the Blair Taylor Believe in Yourself Dancers Challenge we took 3rd place in Dance, 3rd in Military, and 2nd in Prop. At the Idaho Classic Cheer and Dance competition we took 1st place in all three Dance, Military, and Prop. We are so proud the way our students perform and represent us here at school and when out in the community.

Snake River High School



The winter sports, boys basketball, girls basketball, and wrestling had fabulous seasons. Boys basketball placed 3rd place at State, girls basketball placed 2nd at State, and wrestling placed 4th at State. The Dance Team also qualified for State in three routines. Congratulations!



BPA did extremely well at State: Emma Warren placed in the top 10 in basic office procedures AND fundamental word processing; Matt Kelly placed in the top 10 in system administration using Cysco; 1st place video production team Matt Kelly, Conner Poulter, Jace Adams, and Anna Taylor; 4th place presentation management Lizzie Wada; Statesman Torch Awards for Halli Young, Anthony Niu, and Matthew Kelley. Everyone was super positive and fun, we attended lots of workshops, heard a wonderful speaker, ate good food, went shopping, and had a blast. They did excellent against some fierce competition.



Beauty and the Beast opens March 19th and runs that week every night but Wednesday, with an added matinee on Saturday. 106 kids are in the cast, and over 20 adults have helped with everything from set building, to costumes, props, makeup, tickets, and advertising. The musicals have helped generate enough income, and with the help of 2 grants from the Bistline Foundation, we have managed to update the sound and lighting systems in the auditorium the last 2 years. Last year we replaced the old sound board with a digital soundboard and snake.

This year we replaced several lights, including the spotlights, with LED's that use less electricity, and give us better lighting. It now runs off a laptop with a computer program. We also replaced our wireless microphones since our frequencies on the old ones made them illegal to use. In all, we have put approximately \$18,000 of new equipment in the auditorium that enhance it's capabilities and improve the quality of the shows. The community is also able to enjoy the upgrades when they use the auditorium. Thank you for your support of our program as we strive to put on better shows every year.

Choir students who qualified for District V's Solo/Ensemble Festival are as follows: MacKenzie Fisher, Jordyn Burr, Cameren Hardy, Emma Warren, Spencer Williams, Josie Muir, Paige Williams, Austin Apolonio, Sarah Wright, Kambrielle Hudson, Lauren Campbell, Elizabeth Wada, Jerimiah deWit, Elayna Moreno, Hali Toone & Rachel Godfrey. Congratulations!

On March 9th the Snake River FFA alumni had their annual auction. This auction raises money for scholarships for FFA members at our high school. The scholarships are for seniors who are attending college or a trade program; they also help students finance their FFA trips. The auction raised \$28,000 this year. Austin Jensen made a human gyroscope that went for \$2600! Over 300 people were in attendance and 180 pounds of tri-tip, furnished by Dr. Jason Moulton, was served and Kittie's Kitchen prepared the rest of the dinner. Prime-Time Auctions did the Auction. It was a very successful event and the students in the program are learning skills that will benefit them for the rest of their lives.



School Board Happenings

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



Snake River Community Library

We have been really busy in the library this month. We hosted a Dr. Seuss carnival at the first of the month to celebrate his birthday. It included a fishing pond, pin the hat on the cat, face painting, a photo booth and cotton candy. We had nearly 240 people in attendance and it was a night full of fun.

We have also vamped up our kid's book club. Starting in March, there will be two sessions per month for grades 2nd and up to come to the library and enjoy activities. Each session will have a different theme. The goal is to teach the kids how to use a library properly, read different genres that they may not normally read and to get them excited about reading. In March our themes were Superheroes and Diaries/Journals. The kids were able to learn how comic books are incorporated into a genre and also how we have every day superheroes in our lives. They were also able to enjoy learning about diary's and journals. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" and "Dork Diaries" are both very popular books right now for this age group. The kids were able to design and make their own diary to take home and use.

We are still hosting art classes every Friday for ages four and up. It is held in three sessions, 9-10, 10-11 and 11-12. Carol Ann Pange does a wonderful job getting her students excited about learning to draw.

