



# Highlights

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

## Moreland Elementary

Moreland gets great support with our activities. This past month our PTA promoted reading by sponsoring, "Read with a Relative." Each student receives a book of their own, purchased by the PTA. The student either reads the book to the family member or partner; or the partner or family member reads the book to the child. We had many families and friends



who showed up to read with kids. The PTA gave out refreshments in appreciation for the students' hard work in reading this year, and for the recognition of support from families. By the first of May, we will begin our end of year assessments which will produce growth data for our students. We are pleased with the hard work and growth of students and staff. "Learning is the work"... for everyone!



## Riverside Elementary



Riverside Elementary is excited to be participating in a "Change War". Each class has a container to for collecting money and the class that collects the most money wins a prize. All money raised goes towards helping an orphanage in Ghana, Africa build a school. Mrs. Capell's daughter, Sabrina, came and taught the students a little bit about Ghana and their needs. She lived in Ghana and volunteered there for a few weeks, so she has firsthand experience. So far our students have been very generous!



On April 4<sup>th</sup>, the top 3 winners from last year's Distinguished Young



Women came and presented an assembly encouraging our students to be their best selves. The wonderful examples of these young ladies make a big impression on our students and we appreciate them for coming!

Our teachers and volunteer moms help our students enjoy learning. Mrs. Egbert, who helps out in Mrs. Capell's class recently planned and carried out a fun activity for that class. They called it their "P" day and the kids wore their pajamas to school. One of their activities was to make a parachute and do different activities and games with them. Everyone had a great time and they learned a lot!

## Rockford Elementary

Since daylight saving has started it feels like time is going way too fast. School is on the downward slope and the 3rd trimester is well on its way. Our students had an amazing opportunity to go to a concert in Pocatello at the Stephen's Performing Art Center. They got to play their recorders and sing with the orchestra. They all loved it. Vivian Larsen was interviewed on channel 6 after the concert. Check it out on the Rockford Elementary website and the PTA FaceBook page if you get a chance.



## Snake River Middle School

The Distinguished Young Women presented a “Be Your Best Self” program for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls on April 4<sup>th</sup>. The reigning DYW representatives shared their talents and discussed the attributes of being healthy, involved, studious, ambitious, and responsible.

The annual Math-A-Thon was a great success. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students were able to raise approximately \$13,000.00. Participating students earned a candy bar, pizza party, movie activity, and the top contributors were entered in a drawing for a pair of wireless headphones. The money will be used to enhance programs at our school. We appreciate the support of students, parents, and patrons.

Congratulations to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee winners. The \$25.00 first place winner was Morgan Sant, the \$15.00 second place winner was Rylan Ibarra, and the third place \$10.00 winner was Ryker Henrie. The winning word was *disgruntled*.

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) machine was recently installed at the Middle School.

In Mrs. Daw’s library skills classes, 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are finishing their study of genres and will be working on a poetry unit. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have published their narrative writing in book form. They will be using technology skills taught this year to create and share a trailer for their favorite AR book.

Congratulations to our dodge ball class champions. 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Mr. Loveland, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Mrs. Adams.

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Anderson hosted an instrument “Petting Zoo” to introduce 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to the music enrichment classes they may register for when entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Parents are invited to the “Spring Music Extravaganza.” It is the end of the year 6<sup>th</sup> grade band, strings, and choir concert to be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30.

The ISAT testing window opens this month. Our students will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge of core skills learned in math, reading, and language arts. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will also test on science concepts.

The DARE program for 5<sup>th</sup> graders is winding down. Students are writing essays and preparing for DARE Graduation, and DARE Day which is scheduled in May. It is a culmination activity to reward 5<sup>th</sup> grade students for their hard work. This annual event will be held at the Eastern Idaho State Fair Grounds in Blackfoot.

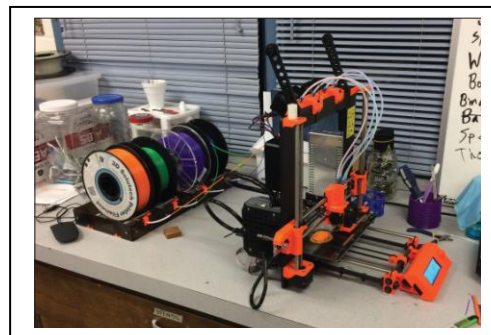


## Snake River Jr. High School

All though we can all feel the weather changing and the end of the year coming, here at the Junior High we are not slowing down especially in track! We had two students break school records at their meet last week: Reagan Van Orden 8th grade girls mile 6:18 and Emyrie Adams 7th grade girls 800m 3:05. We have ISATS starting this week: Science April 16, Math April 30, and English May 7. Our last Parent Teacher conf will be April 26. And they are going to look a little different with our students showing off the amazing things they have accomplished this year.

We started our annual Food Feud with Mountain View Middle School on April 16. Each school raises as many food items and money as they can. The school with the most donated wins (last year the prize for the school was \$1000 from the Rotary club). But who truly comes out ahead is our local food bank right here in Blackfoot Idaho. All donations go to them in the end. Each year we are so blessed and amazed at how both ends of our community really rally together and support this good cause!

On Saturday, March 20, a steering wheel safety project designed by five members of the Snake River Jr. High Tech Cub was displayed and judged alongside other similar projects at the Pocatello Student FabSLAM showcase. FabSLAM is a team-based competition launched by the Digital Harbor Foundation and sponsored by Idaho STEM Action Center. The purpose is to give technology-minded youth the opportunity to conceive and build a themed project using 3D design and 3D printing. What a great opportunity! Congratulations!



## Snake River High School

### HOSA

Snake River High School was represented at H.O.S.A. State (Health Occupations Students of America) from April 11th-13th by 7 students: Latimer High, Kassi Munro, Abby Apolonio, Saige Dally, Alex VanOrden, Austin Apolonio, and Lexi Baron. These students competed in many varying events. Austin competed in Researched Persuasive Writing and Speaking. His paper on Gene Editing got him into the second round of competition where he was able to give a speech on the same topic. Kassi and Abby competed in CPR/First Aid to test the skills they are learning in a local EMT class at Blackfoot's Fire Station. They were also able to pass the first round of knowledge based information and compete with hands on skills in the second round. Alex, Latimer, Kassi, and Abby competed in PSA (Public Service Announcement) where they created a 30 second advertisement about the risks of Prediabetes and how to get help. Their PSA made it past the first round and in the second round they had to defend their advertisement in 4 minutes, including what they learned on the subject and how they created the video. When winners were announced at H.O.S.A.'s closing ceremony Alex, Latimer, Kassi, and Abby received first place for their outstanding PSA. Shocked and excited they each accepted their gold medals with the knowledge that they will be able to compete at Nationals. Nationals are held in Dallas, Texas this year from June 25-29th. These four students will be raising money to help fund their trip to Dallas. During the closing ceremony, Denise Aikele received a plaque honoring her 20 years of service in the H.O.S.A. organization which was a huge, well deserved honor for all of her hard work. Overall, this was a wonderful experience for each of Snake Rivers H.O.S.A. club. Everyone got to learn and compete at healthy levels that allowed them all to grow. And none of it would be possible if it wasn't for their diligent Advisers: Carissa Christiansen and Denise Aikele.



## Choir Highlights

State Solo Qualifiers from Snake River High School for Idaho Music Educator's State Solo/Ensemble Competition in early May.

## Vocal Category

**Soprano** - 1st Place - Jordyn Burr; 2nd Place - Paige Williams

**Mezzo Soprano** - 1st Place - Elizabeth Wada; 2nd Place - Lauren Campbell; 3rd Place - MacKenzie Fisher

**Alto** - 2nd Place - Sarah Wright; 3rd Place - MacKenzie Fisher

**Baritone** - 1st Place - Austin Apolonio

**Bass** - 2nd Place - Cameren Hardy; 3rd Place - Spencer Williams

## Instrumental Category

Oboe- Krysta Reed

Violin - Alternate – Gracie Packer – Snake River

Viola - 1<sup>st</sup> – Naomi Hammond – Snake River and 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sam Sorensen – Snake River

String Quartets- 1<sup>st</sup> – Snake River - Megan Haroldsen, Naomi Hammond, Mia Harper, Gracie Packer and  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Snake River - Madison Hansen, Karlie Gillins, Callie Jenkins, Lyndsie Larsen

## Drama

The high school musical, "Beauty and the Beast", was very successful this year. We performed March 19th through 24th, with record attendance. Prior to this year, our biggest audience at a high school musical was 305 people. This year our smallest audience was 358 at our matinee, while filling the auditorium 2 nights, and audiences of over 500 four of the nights. We brought in over \$18,000 during the week. Reasons for the success of the show range from:

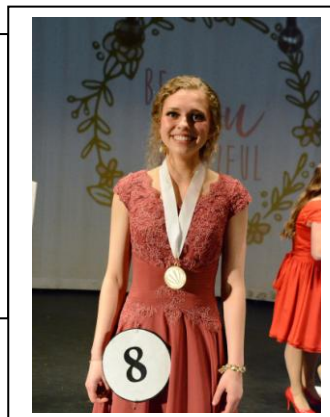


1. The large cast. 106 students in the cast and a large crew of talented people working behind the scenes, with almost 200 people working together as a team to make it possible.
2. The popularity of the show.
3. A wonderful, supportive community. It really was a coming together of the community as students felt the love and support of family and friends afterwards in the commons.

Thank you for the support of the school board and administration, making this possible.

## Distinguished Young Women

Snake River held our annual Distinguished Young Women Program on April 14th, 2018. This year we had 13 amazing participants who represented our community very well. We gave out \$12,800 in scholarships due to the generous donations of local families and businesses. Our theme was "beYOUtiful" and these girls learned that true beauty comes from within as we become our very best self. This program focuses on teaching life skills such as interview, public speaking and being your best self. Taite Baldwin was named the 2019 Distinguished Young Woman of Snake River, Abigail Tew 1st alternate, and McKenna Peck as 2nd alternate. We as a committee want to say thank you to the Snake River School District for the support and providing the auditorium for us to use for this program. We had a sold out crowd and were recognized for being one of the best programs in the state! Thank you to this community for your continued support and sponsorship! Lacey Secrist- Chairman and Julie Wada- Co-chair



## Snake River Art

Snake River Fine Arts students competed over the weekend against Blackfoot, Pocatello, American Falls, Century and Highland High Schools at the annual Pocatello Art Contest. A **Big Congratulations** to Preston Stoker bringing home first place in painting. Megan Harrelson brought home first and second place in pastels. Sarah West brought home two third places, one in pastels and one in mixed-media. Savanna Martin brought home first place in black and white ink and honorable mention in mixed-media, Savanna also won \$100 as one of two Outstanding Artists selected by the past presidents of the Pocatello Art Center. Let's hear it for Snake River Fine Arts students who represented our school extremely well in this year's Pocatello Art Contest.

