



Highlights

Thursday, December 15, 2016

Moreland Elementary

What a wonderful time of year! Students have participated in Reflections sponsored by our PTA (winners recognized and sent to state), letters to Santa for the Morning News, and Christmas cards in support of Braden Mangum's Eagle Project. 1st grade has been practicing for their Christmas program for the 13th and 14th.



Next week, students at Moreland will be visited by the Foreign Exchange students to learn about Christmas traditions in other countries... and last but not least, Santa, Mrs. Claus and two elves will come on the 21st to visit every boy and girl at Moreland. They will be able to sit on his lap and tell him what they want for Christmas. Moreland wishes you all a very Happy Holiday Season filled with love.



Riverside Elementary



To help get in the holiday mood, the PTA provided each student with a snowflake ornament to make and place on our school Christmas tree. It sure makes our school look welcoming and festive! The 2nd grade students have been working on their Christmas program which will be presented to their parents and the 3rd grade students. With the snow and cold weather, the students are trying to remember to dress warmly so they can enjoy recess on the playground. We appreciate some various community groups and individuals who have provided winter hats and gloves for those students in need. Winter is definitely here!



Former Riverside student, Braden Mangum, is working on an Eagle Scout Project which will benefit 400 senior citizens in the community. They will each receive a plate of cookies and a bag of fruit along with a handmade Christmas card. Our students were asked to help with Braden's project by making the cards. Our creative students enjoyed doing this!

A total of 48 boys and girls stayed after school on December 7 to participate in the annual Elks Club Hoop Shoot. Ryan Tew was the contest coordinator and he had several parent volunteers who helped. Izybel Talbot and Grace Gilbert were the 1st and 2nd place winners for the girls. Jackson Jorgensen and Crew Albertson were the 1st and 2nd place winners for the boys. They are now eligible to compete in the local contest at Mountain View Middle School in January.



Rockford Elementary

Patricia Boyd from Idaho Power came and did a presentation on birds of prey in Idaho. This goes along with our Idaho History. She did a spectacular job. We learned some awesome things. We appreciate Idaho Power doing this free of charge.

We held the Elks Hoop Shoot on Nov. 21st. We had 11 girls participate and 19 boys. The PTA ran the shoot for us. We so appreciate Mrs. Leslie Hansen for being in charge and all the parents that came and helped. The winners were:



9 year old girls - Darby Adams
Vandy Wheeler
10 year old girls - Libby Gilbert
Brighton VanOrden
9 year old boys - Ian Fillmore
Colter Lake
10 year old boys - Justin Wray
Rylan Ibarra



We would like to invite the school board and Mr. Kerns to come to our Christmas choir concert. It will be at the Snake River High School on December 20th at 1:30 PM

Snake River Middle School

The annual Elk's Lodge Hoop Shoot was held the week of November 28th through December 1st. The school winners in the 10 and 11 year old age group were: Rainger Morrell, Keaton Kesler, Addie Campbell, and Ellie Thomas. The winners in the 12 and 13 year old age group were: Danny Wray, Shad Warren, Abby Gilbert, and Macie White. We congratulate these students.

Dental hygiene students from ISU have been at the Middle School helping students understand the importance of oral hygiene. Each student will receive an oral exam and the opportunity to receive a fluoride sealant application.

All 5th and 6th grade students are participating in a canned food drive. Students are bringing cans of food to be donated to local charitable organizations.

The 6th grade presented a "Holiday Extravaganza" on December 8th. The band and strings classes shared their musical talents. The choir performance included vocal and dance numbers. It was a great success.

The 5th grade will present their Christmas play, "Does Hannabelle M. Scrooge Ruin Christmas?" Performances are scheduled for Tuesday, December 20th and Wednesday, December 21st. Dress rehearsal will be at 9:00 and parent performances will be at 1:00 on both days. Tuesday's Cast A will include the following classes: Mrs. Capson, Mrs. Munson, and Mrs. VanOrden. Wednesday's Cast B will include the following classes: Mrs. Davison, Mrs. Grant, and Mrs. Simmons.

Christmas break will begin on December 22nd, and school will resume on January 3rd.



Snake River Jr. High School

Lots to be proud of at the Junior High:

8th graders, Josee Steadman and Madison Johnson were picked as two of the top essay writers for the American Legion writing contest and will be honored at a luncheon on December 17th at the American Legion Hall. Good job girls!

Title I has made great gains in fluency and are now working on comprehension. This is also having great success and fun. The kids are really responding to the focused work and amazing rewards!! Great job!

Student leadership team will be doing some service projects for different groups of people in December.

We are proud to now be an official crossfit facility! Crossfit Panther Pride! One of only a few in the state to be granted in a school setting thanks to Mr. Mow, our crossfit teacher.

Jr. High wrestling is officially over. The boys did very well this year thanks to all the hard work from our dedicated team of boys and Coach Gardner. They took 2nd in district.

Snake River High School

This month Snake River High School held their annual Charity Assembly. This assembly is a good way to raise funds to donate to families in need for Christmas. The assembly was held on Thursday December 8th and went on for three hours. The students were able to bid on items that were bought by the student leadership. The items varied from prom tickets, to four way teeter totter, to puppies and kittens. Over all the money that was raised was over six thousand dollars that are donated to charity and families in need.

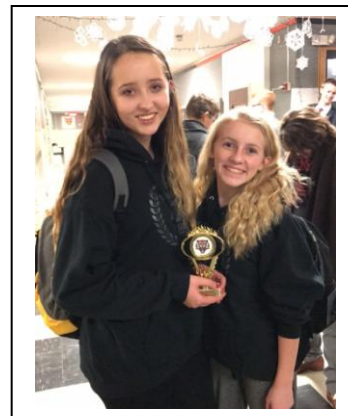
Debate had the opportunity to go to a tournament in Idaho Falls called The Jungle. There they were able to take home the trophy and a few teams went to finals. Teagan Pugmire, Cara Pugmire won four out of five rounds and were able to advance to quarterfinals. Landon Lee also won four out of five rounds. Ryan Kelly and Caleb McBride won two out of five rounds as well. For a fundraiser the debate team is selling candy grams, one dollar each to earn money for tournaments. Way to go Debate!

Mrs. Harrison is a busy little elf this year. She has been having her culinary classes bake and decorate cookies to take to families in need for the Christmas season. The cookies are many different varieties from stars to stockings. The Children's Community Christmas Project has asked her to donate all these cookies. She plans to donate from ten to twelve dozen cookies to little children and families for a great Christmas season.

Freshman Joeseph Hansen is the first student at Snake River High School to pass the Adobe Certified Associate Photoshop Creative Cloud Certification. The ACA test was offered free of charge as part of Shayla Martin's Digital Graphic Design class. The State Department of Education and Adobe have partnered to create the Create Idaho program, and Snake River High School is one of 25 schools in the nation to offer the entire creative cloud to their students free of charge.

When someone becomes ACA certified, it gives their skills credibility. The exam represents the expertise needed to be a successful communicator in today's digital world. Industry recognized certification programs ensure that students have the skills and abilities valued in the workplace.

The business department at Snake River High School also offers Microsoft Office exams as part of the Business Computer Applications course. Hannah Higginson, Sharlie Aponio, Anthony Nui, and Austin Anderson were all awarded the Microsoft Office Specialist Word certification for the fall semester.



Snake River High School (Continued)

This year our Snake River football team won the 1st Annual Armed Service Appreciation Bowl Game. This game will become an annual tradition vs American Falls High. The game this year Talent Quest Country Singer of the Year, National Guards Armory, Paladin tank, and green camouflage jerseys for our team with grey camo for American Falls. Our starting players were introduced as fallen soldiers rather than their own names. With our victory we were presented a trophy which is a 155 mm shell (weighs 80 lbs)! It was a great experience for our players and staff.

I also wanted to share with you some amazing artwork one of our AP art students. Mckenzie Morrison designed and painted our trophy to commemorate the school and game. She did a wonderful job and our team is very grateful. Please stop by room to look at if you like.

