



Highlights

On Wednesday, June 18, 2014, the board highlighted:

Riverside Elementary:

On May 22nd Riverside students and their parents came to a maple bar breakfast. They met in the teachers' rooms and received tips and ideas on how to stop the "summer academic slide." It was well attended and enjoyed by all.

We had a PTA sponsored Field Day on the last day of school. All the students enjoyed rotating to the different stations outside where they played games and ate popsicles before cleaning up our school grounds.



We had our awards assembly on the last day of school. Several students were recognized by the Elk's Club for being most improved readers. Also, eighty-five students received faithful attendance awards for having missed 3 days or less all year. That represents nearly 1/3 of our entire student body! Fifteen students were given awards for perfect attendance. Four 3rd grade students received a large purple rosette ribbon as recognition for not missing any school during the 2nd and 3rd grades. They were Samantha Egbert, Justin Buzzell, Shad Warren, and Markos Carranza. We also recognized our PTA officers and volunteers and appreciate all the help they have been. We had several volunteer moms who came in and helped in the classrooms. We gave each one a small gift of appreciation.



Library Board Chairman Lon Harrington poses with Riverside students when they thanked the Snake River School/Community Library for furnishing each of them with a book. Riverside Librarian, Roxie Gregersen, organized a book fair at the school and every student had the opportunity to select a book to take home for their very own.

Most of the staff went out and waved at the buses as the students went home on the last day of school. We were a little sad, but mostly happy as the buses pulled away! We hope we've made a difference in the lives of the kids who attended Riverside Elementary this year!

On teacher check-out day, all of our staff joined together in the gym for a year-end social. We enjoyed good food and visiting as we honored Mrs. Kathy Beal, who is retiring. She has given many years instructing students and influencing their lives. We hope she enjoys retirement!

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Rockford Elementary

Our students and teachers, with a lot of wonderful chaperones, went on a field trip to the Oregon Trail Museum in Montpelier, ID. It is a rather long day. They leave the school at 8:15 on three buses. They arrive in Montpelier and go through this wonderful museum. They have many interactive things for the students to do and everyone one comes away raving about what a great time they had. If you get the chance to go there this summer, please do it. After they leave the museum they head to Soda Springs to the man-made geyser. They have the opportunity to taste the soda water and make a kool-aid drink with the soda water. They get a chance to see the wagon ruts that were made all those years ago. It brings Idaho History to life.

We had our Idaho History program on May 21st and 22nd. The students tell what they learned throughout the year in Idaho History. Next year come and see what they learn and brush up on your Idaho History.

We would like to give a special thank you to some wonderful DUP (Daughters of the Utah Pioneers) ladies. On the day that we have our rendezvous (field day), they came and taught the students how to make rag rugs.

It has been a wonderful school year. We will miss these students but now are looking forward to our next 4th grade group.

Moreland Elementary

We had a great closing to our year. Kindergarten Graduation was excellent as always with the student s showing their growth in song, as well as the ability to follow directions. Students were awarded most improved reader awards and attendance awards.

Kindergarteners were able to meet their first grade teacher on first grade day, where every kindergarten student came for the entire day and spent one hour meeting their new teacher and classmates for the coming year 2014-15.

First graders also had an assembly on the last day of school recognizing those with near perfect attendance and perfect attendance. One boy and one girl were recognized from each class as a most improved reader. They all sang the Moreland School song for the last time. They seemed very excited to be moving on to a new building with new teachers and a **new playground!**

Teachers have been busily cleaning out and some are moving rooms. We have ordered white boards, bulletin boards, tables and chairs for our two kindergarten rooms on the south end of the building. We are ready for a brief summer break but are certainly excited about the upcoming year with great changes being made. Thank you to the board for your part in supporting us in a great year!



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Snake River Middle School

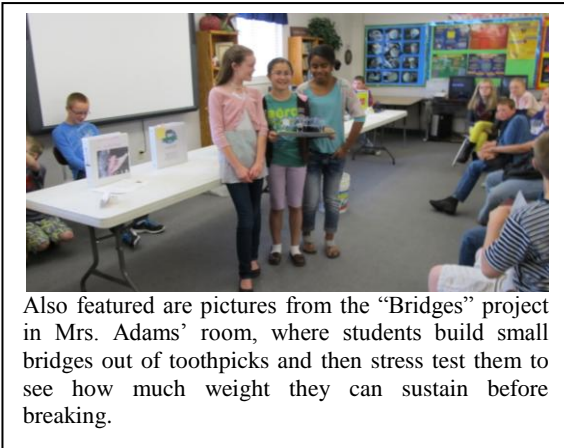
The school is closed for cleaning and for the rest of the summer! Snake River Middle School is an enjoyable place to be for students and staff alike. The year ended with an Outdoor Field Day for the students with many healthy activities for all students to participate in and test their skills in many different areas such as kickball, dodge ball and tug-of-war. The teachers and staff members kept things moving quickly and students challenged themselves physically throughout the day.

Earlier in the year, the school was privileged to attend an anti-bullying assembly and there are pictures of that event included here. Our school is committed to preventing bullying in all of its manifestations and we appreciate the support of Mr. Ray Carter in assembling the District's anti-bullying committee and Mrs. Hale's participation on that committee.



Both grades had brief awards assemblies and talent shows that were very entertaining. Awards were given for outstanding readers in both grades, with two awards going to Easton Goodwin and Lauren Jones for Honors reading in the classics. Eight students received awards for perfect attendance, five in fifth grade and three in sixth grade. The five fifth graders were: Nate Bynum, Elizabeth Egbert, Alexis Villa, Emily Walters, and Joseph Whittier. The three sixth graders were: Abigail Disney, Juan Erives, and Emma Warren. The talents ranged from singing and playing the piano to a delightful magic show.

The last day the school made a field trip to Downata Hot Springs where all that attended had a wonderful time. Even a few of the teachers went in and enjoyed the nice warm water. All students returned safely home, except for a few sunburns. We look forward to returning in August and the beginning of an exciting new school year!



Also featured are pictures from the "Bridges" project in Mrs. Adams' room, where students build small bridges out of toothpicks and then stress test them to see how much weight they can sustain before breaking.

Snake River High School

Snake River High School had its final celebration with graduation on May 28th. The senior all night extravaganza that same night was quite a success with the assistance of many volunteer parents. Congratulations to the class of 2014.

Many high school students participated in the Relay for Life on June 14th. Proceeds from the volunteering efforts are destined for cancer research.

IHSAA's 2013-2014 Schools of Excellence

Snake River School District #52 placed second in the 3A Division, of the IHSAA's "Schools of Excellence" program for the 2013-2014 school year.

The Idaho High School Activities Association's "Schools of Excellence" initiative is a year-long, voluntary program in which schools earn points based on their student-athletes' performance in the class-room, at the athletic venue, in activities' competitions and in the area of citizenship and sportsmanship.

This gives Snake River the "Exemplary Achievement Status" which is awarded to schools of each classification that finish second and third in the final point compilation.

The three major areas of high school activities are weighted equally in determining recipients of the award. The Academic Component is based on the varsity team's cumulative GPA. The Performance Component is based on place of finish at IHSAA-sponsored state championships and activity program competitions. The Citizenship Component is based on a school's self-evaluation of their citizenship/sportsmanship activities. Deductions are made by the IHSAA for player and/or coach unsportsmanlike ejections and also for unsportsmanlike school behavior at state tournaments.

Snake River will also receive the "Award of Excellence" for having 90% of its citizenship component with no deductions.



Snake River Summer Farm Plot Class 1st Day

The high school is a busy place this summer with various sport, musical, and dance camps. High school Ag classes, under the direction of Mr. Hoge, are tending a field just off Hwy 39. The Tech interns are in the midst of erecting a weather tower on that same plot of land. Current weather from that location will be accessible through the internet.

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2014 Retirees

Donna Packer, Custodial Supervisor and High School Custodian (34 years); Susan Thomas, Moreland Kitchen Manager (24 years); Sally Nelson, High School Accounting Secretary (35 years); Kathy Lewis, High School Attendance Secretary (30 years); Shauna Matthews, High School English Teacher (34 years); Kathy Beal, Riverside Third Grade Teacher (35 years) Diana Calabro, High School Math Teacher (21 years); Gayla Osborn, Board Clerk/District Secretary (19 years); Lana Scott, Middle School Librarian (19 years); and Alden Hale, District Maintenance and Grounds Supervisor (23 years).



2013-2014 Teachers of the Year

Amber Serr, Jr. High; Janae VanOrden, Rockford; Kelly Tolman, Riverside; Celia Simmons, Middle School; Jason Coles, High School; and Sandy Jackson, Moreland



25 Year Service Awards

Carol Adams, Susan Bryan, Pat Wolfley and Celesta Murdock



2013-2014 Classified Employees of the Year

Ronda Simper, Rockford; Shannon Thomson, Middle School; Connie Bevan, Riverside; Cindy Williams, High School; Gaye Jones, Jr. High; Becky Jacobsen, Moreland



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**District Teacher of the Year
Janae Van Orden**



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**District Employee of the Year
Becky Jacobson**