



Highlights

On Wednesday, September 21, 2011, the board highlighted:

MORELAND ELEMENTARY

Moreland has had a great start to its new year. Our Back-To-School event went very well with 96% attendance. Teachers are practicing procedures with students to keep them safe in classrooms, hallways, lunchroom, playground, buses and our pick up and drop off area. Teachers will also be able to utilize every teaching moment in the classroom with the classroom procedures in place.



Our Kindergarten students are learning all kinds of new things at school. The task of teaching a 5 year old how to grab a tray, napkin, spoon and milk before sliding their tray down the lunch line for their food seems like it should be a simple task... Well, not as simple as you may think, but



these students are learning this process with a smile.

Teaching lunchroom manners is also a new concept for these students. We are very pleased with the respect our students are showing to their teachers and their peers. They have picked up these procedures quickly.



We are starting off a great year with great ideas, great teaching and all-around great learning at Moreland.

RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY

1986 was the year of the “comet.” So far this year seems to be the year of the “vomit.” At Riverside, we are experiencing an early onset of stomach flu, strep, and various semi-contagious illnesses. We have also had several bee and wasp stings and other scrapes and bruises from the playground... and those are just the teachers!



Actually in spite of this year’s interesting beginning, we are working hard and getting into the routine of school. We are happy to welcome Kelly Tolman as a new 2nd grade teacher, Jeanette Mosbrucker and Emma Morgan as paraprofessionals, and Lynda Thompson as our custodian. They are certainly welcome at Riverside!

Riverside Elementary met AYP last year and we are enthusiastically working to improve upon last year’s scores. We recently completed our IRI testing and will be using this data to help meet individual student needs. Teachers are also gathering data on students’ abilities through the use of the PLATO program.



We’d like to give a shout-out to the technology crew, Steve and Larry (whoop-whoop!), for being so diligent in having our computers up and going at the beginning of the year!

Our PTA is busy planning their fundraiser, our 2nd annual “Run for Riverside.” More on that next month!

We look forward to a great year at Riverside this year. Oh yeeeah!!!

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ROCKFORD ELEMENTARY

Wow! Where did August go? It's hard to believe we have been in school now for over 3 weeks.

We have 2 new faces this year on our staff. They are Kelly Wilcox (Title 1) and Kristen Perry (Special Ed.). We are enjoying the opportunity to get to know them. We're looking forward to a great year. We have new faces and new names to learn.

Our theme this year is the "Happiest School on Earth". We plan on working hard and playing just as hard this year.

SNAKE RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL

We welcome back students and staff of Snake River Middle School; for a great year where "Character Counts."

The first nine weeks grading period will end on November 2nd with a teacher work day on November 3rd. There will be no school for students in grades K-6. Students will need to have earned 60% of their Independent Reading Goal by October 10th. Check with your child and encourage them to read over the Harvest Break.

Each student received a letter containing their access number for the Power School Grade Program. This program is designed to allow parents and students to check grades and catch any missing or late assignments.

Physical fitness is a high priority. The 5th and 6th grade students are working on the Mighty Milers Program again this year. Also, the PTA is applying for a grant sponsored by the NFL. If awarded, this grant would repair the oval track.

Populations' Day will be held for all 5th grade students in the morning on September 22nd. This is a culminating science activity. Girl's Maturation Day will be held on September 22nd at 2:30. Mothers are invited to attend with their daughters.

The 6th grade choir class will hold their first concert titled, *From the Inside Out*, on September 22nd at 1:30 in the gym. We are encouraging these students to wear their best dress for the performance.

SNAKE RIVER JR. HIGH SCHOOL

Snake River Junior High started off the year with ROARS.

ROARS stands for "be Responsible, take Ownership, be Accountable, show Respect, and Serve others". This is our behavioral expectation for the students and staff and it seems to be making a difference. In our opening assembly Mr. Cox introduced the expectation to the students and explained what it meant. Students appear to be taking it to heart. It has been a great start to the year.

We are just completing our first round of screenings to identify struggling students. Data will be analyzed after harvest break. Mr. Cox had the first of several parent meetings in September. He discussed past and current achievement data and what the Junior High is doing to address deficits and achieve AYP. The next meeting is October 13. Our first parent teacher conference is October 20. Mr. Cox is trying to get more parent involvement at the Junior High.

We celebrated spirit week this week with the High School. Students participated in various dress up days this week. We had fun.



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SNAKE RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

Homecoming events are keeping students and staff busy this week and every day there is a different dress up theme.

- Monday was pajama day and the activity was a wake-up video with breakfast!
- Tuesday students supported the bikers who were participating in the after school poker run by dressing in biker attire.
- Anyone going to the high school on Wednesday will think they have double vision when they see so many “twins.” This is also the day for the coronation and assembly and the Powder-Puff games will be held that night.
- Thursday’s event is the Car Bash during the long lunch break and the clothing theme is retro/neon!
- On Friday when the students come out to support the football team, they’ll be wearing their school colors. This will be a class clash and all students that dress up will be tallied and the class with the most tallies will win the class clash! The home coming game will be Snake River versus Aberdeen at 7:00 p.m. The winning Royalty will be announced during half-time ceremonies.
- The Homecoming Dance will be Saturday night.



Homecoming Poker Run
High School bikers were escorted by the Bingham County Sheriff Officers as they rode from school to school.

SNAKE RIVER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Storytime at the Snake River Community Library has always been very popular. Each week more than 100 children ages 2 to 6 and their parents come to the library to hear stories told by Peggy Hansen and Mindy Baldwin. Mrs. Hansen uses several unique ways and activities to get the children participating in the activity of reading. She starts out with a nursery rhyme, uses puppets to help tell stories and lead activities and says songs are really good because words are separated into sounds. The children also make fun crafts. Snake River High School students Kristine Anderson, Ashlie Parris and Elizabeth Arreguin are the library aides who help with Storytime. They cut out all the crafts and letters and help the teachers develop ideas. Storytime is held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each Tuesday and Wednesdays and at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday at Snake River Community Library. It will not be in session during Harvest Break.