



Valley Newsletter



November 2016

District News- Mr. Anderson

Valley Patrons,

I am pleased to announce several good things going on in the district. During the last eight weeks the district has been busy with the start of school and other happenings.

Facilities

- The district has recently upgraded its water line by replacing an old galvanized pipe that was nearly 60 years old. The new system ties into the fieldhouse and will provide additional water pressure to the outdoor complex.
- The district has also upgraded its intercom/bell system. The system has been outfitted with new hardware making it current for the years to come.
- The elementary school has raised thousands of dollars during their walk-a-thon and will be purchasing additional playground equipment. Kudos to the community, students, staff, and parents for their time and generous donations.

State Assessments and Student Testing

- Two years ago the State adopted a new testing format. The SBAC, although matching the Idaho Core Standards, is a more difficult assessment. Data indicates our students need additional help through contextual alignment and core area practice. We will start administering the Interim test, grades 3-10, to help meet the rigors of the SBAC content. By giving our students additional practice we will see an increase in learning and achievement.

New Text Messaging Service

- The district is working hard to increase its communication with parents and the community. The district is now using TxtWire as a way of messaging parents. Important messages, school closures and emergencies can be easily messaged to parents by signing up for TxtWire. If you haven't done so, here are the directions: Send a text to the number **91011** and type **Valley** as your message. Thanks again for the community's continued support and help!

SCHOOL BOARD

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Monday Tutoring—Principals

We have started some Monday Tutoring days for students and have received positive feedback from both students and parents. Students that need extra help or time on assignments or need to work on projects may attend from 9:00am to 12:00pm on Nov. 7th, Nov. 14th, Dec. 5th, & Dec. 12th. Secondary students may be referred by their teachers or principals and may also come on an as needed basis as long as they have something to work on. Elementary students will be invited by Mrs. Kohtz after discussions with the classroom teacher. Transportation to and from the school is the responsibility of the parents. This is a great opportunity to get some individualized help for students that are willing to put in the extra time.

ON THE WEB

valleyvikings.org

Book Fair—Mrs. Hunter

We will be having our first Scholastic Book Fair of the year November 15-18, 2016. Hours will run from 7:30 in the morning until 4:00 pm everyday. On Wednesday we will stay open until 8:00pm. All proceeds from the fair go back into library materials. Thank you for your support in advance and remember Books Make Good Christmas Presents!!

Veterans Day– Mr. Hardy

We would like to invite our community to join us in the new gym for an assembly to honor our veterans on Nov. 11th at 9:00am. Also, we would love to have as many veterans as possible come for a breakfast at the school at 7:45am. If you know a veteran or have someone in your family that would like to attend, we would love to have them join us on this special day.

Booster Club– Mrs. Sellers

Thanks to the community for making our annual Booster Club Dinner a great success, even in the rain! We appreciate everyone coming out and supporting our organization and our team. A special thanks to Ken and Shannon Hodges for the donation of supplies and their time in making the delicious cobbler for our dinner. A big thanks to Valley School, Ridleys in Kimberly, Steve & Corinn Hunter, and Jeff & Carrie Morgan for other donations. We could not put on this dinner without the help and support of many. Thanks for your help...Brian Hardy, Risa Moffitt, Jack Burton, Christi Lamun, Pat Bruning (Silver & Gold Senior Citizens), Ken & Shannon Hodges, Sonya Nelson, Rob & Jana Sellers, John & Dee Dee Reed, Marlin & Davee Mussmann, Tracey McAuley, Natalie Henry, Rebecca Pincock, Holly Hall, Mellissa Carlquist, Kattie Carlquist, Galicia Hernandez, Lori Grant, Kaysee Kimmel, Joyce Tvrdy, Eden Dimond, Katina Ellison, Sean Christensen, Gary & Michelle Johnson, Jody Johnson, Jen Ostin, Shannon Taylor, Becky Lewis, Judy Cauhorn, Rae Waite, and Steve Hunter.

Volleyball– Mrs. Clark

Wow, what a great year for the Viking Volleyball Program. Varsity ended their regular season at 21-0 and are the District Champs beating Hagerman in the Championship game. They travel to Rigby for the state tournament on October 28-29. The JV team also won the District Championship beating Shoshone for the title. The middle school blue team won their tournament and became District Champs. Great job to all the teams this season. I would like to send a special thank you to a few individuals for all the support they have given the Volleyball program this season: all of the parents that provided us with delicious meals for away games and districts, Rob Sellers for being our cameraman for the season, Jana Sellers for helping me set up team dinners, Sally Burnett for donating our Dig Pink jerseys, Mrs. Black, Sandra, Morgan, and Jassmin for helping with stats this year, Mr. Hardy, School Board, Valley Booster Club, the Administration and the Community for supporting the team and making this season possible and the fans for being there for the team this year. This season would not have been possible without the support and involvement of everyone. I wanted to give an extra special thanks to my seven seniors, they have dedicated themselves for four years and have worked really hard this year to help their team be undefeated. Everyone will miss you seven next year. Thank you!

Dig Pink Night Senior Project– Tannah Sellers

I would like to thank the community for participating in my senior project. It was awesome to see everyone come together, wear pink, and support a good cause. Community friends and family donated \$3,110.00 to the 900 Women's Breast Care Fund. This money will go to women in the Magic Valley who need financial help with yearly mammograms.

Thanks to my JV and Varsity teammates, coaches, and Valley administration for their support during this event. I would like to thank Carrie Morgan for her time in being my mentor for this project and Denise Metcalf for her time in taking pictures of all the pink. A big thank you to Terry and Sally Burnett for the donation to purchase pink jerseys for the Lady Vikings' Volleyball Team!

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Music Notes– Mr. Hanchey

Thank you to everyone for coming out to our annual Halloween concert this year. We love to provide great music to our community and to host the annual elementary costume contest. I love seeing the elementary students in their costumes and getting to expose them to music! Also a big congratulations to our fall sports teams on their success, we love being there and supporting you.

This November we also have some very exciting news! We have 9 students who have been selected to participate in this years District IV High School Honor Music Clinic. The Clinic is the all-star music groups for all the local high schools in District 4, 1A-5A schools. The students this year are Emily Udy – Clarinet, Moriah Ivey – Tenor Saxophone, Hannah Buschhorn - Trumpet, Nikoli Carlquist – Trombone, Jacob Schilz – Trumpet, Masen Moffitt - Percussion, Jeremiah Schilz – Alto-Saxophone, Kameryn Mills - Flute and McKenzie Schilz – Clarinet. The students will get to work with world class conductors from around the United States. On **Thursday November 3rd**, they will be putting on a concert in the Roper Auditorium at Twin Falls High School at 7pm. We hope to see you there and show your support for our all-star musicians!!!

Also in the month of November and December both the Elementary, Middle school, and High school will be preparing for their Christmas Concerts. The **Bands Christmas Concert/Community Christmas Carol Sing-Along** will take place on Friday December 16th, at 7pm and the **Elementary Christmas Concert** will be on Wednesday the 21st in the morning. As your students begin rehearsing please encourage and work with them on memorizing all their songs. We are looking for some volunteers to help out with props and costumes. If you are a good painter or handy with needle and thread, please contact me at hancheyr@valley262.org.

Trick or Treat for Change—BPA/FCCLA

Rain . . . and Lightning . . . and Thunder - OH MY! The elements didn't stop BPA and FCCLA students from Trick or Treating for change on October 24. Students returned to the school after two hours to cash in \$1,642.64 that will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for children through the Community Basket initiative. The final tally was about \$900 less than last year, but we are still very pleased with the results and grateful for those that braved the elements and to those who generously donated. We had eight routes that were not canvased this year. If we missed you and you would like to donate, please call Toni Elorrieta at the school (829-5353) or home (731-6570) and a BPA or FCCLA officer will collect your donation. On November 1, we will begin collecting donations of new, unwrapped toys for the Christmas baskets. Last year we served 114 children in the community and we expect the need to be similar this year. Toy or cash donations will be accepted for the Community Baskets through December 13, 2016. Please drop off at the high school office or US Bank in Hazelton. Thank you for your support!

Boys Basketball—Mr. Hardy

The first day of boys basketball practice will be on Friday, Nov. 11th. All students wanting to try-out need to have a physical on file with the school; 9th and 11th graders need to have a new one from last year. We will have a Parent Night on Monday, Nov. 28th at 6:00pm for all players and parents. I am very excited to work with these young men again this year and look forward to a fun winter.

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