



Savage Public School Newsletter

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DATES TO KNOW

- Feb. 2-9 Book Fair
- Feb. 3 Midquarter
- Feb. 11 Helping Hands Auction
- Feb. 13-18 District Basketball Tournament, Sidney
- Feb. 16 Possible snow day
- Feb. 17 No School
- Feb. 20 Regular Board Meeting, 7:00
- Feb. 22-25 Divisional Basketball Tournament, Wolf Point
- March 9 End Quarter 3
- March 16 Parent-Teacher Conferences



If you would like something included in the newsletter, please send it in to ahoffmann@savagepublicschool.com. Please so prior to the last Monday of the month.

Dear Savage,

As a superintendent, I get to visit with other administrators across the state and hear what challenges they have specific to their district. Many, such as teacher recruitment and retention are prevalent in most schools, but there is one area that Savage does not have to worry about; student participation in extra-curricular activities. This was most evident when I attended the MHSAA convention in Great Falls where large Class B and C schools mentioned that they are having difficulties filling their sports teams. Some schools larger than us may have only 2 students in their junior class going out for basketball, and others cannot fill existing programs due to lack of student interest. Savage High School has a 94% participation rate in our sports programs and that is to be commended. However, in every situation there are bound to be wrinkles and bumps that we navigate in a positive manner. Having a complete picture of the dilemma leads to a greater understanding of how difficult it can be to resolve. For instance, having the majority of our High School students involved in basketball leads to a smaller pep band. In an effort to address the difficulty of playing with only half the band members at each game, the Junior High band has stepped up to fill in the gaps. I commend them on their efforts and willingness to support our team during home games. I am so excited to hear how they improve from game to game. Join me in congratulating our plucky Junior High band for stepping out of their comfort zone to maintain school spirit. I do want to caution you that because of the size of our high school, lack of bus drivers and experienced musicians, we will not be sending a pep band to District Basketball tournament. While our Junior High is providing a service to our school, the more public venue of a tournament is not the place for them to continue mastering their musical skills.

As you can see, there are layers to seemingly easy-to-solve situations, but Savage School will strive to do what is best for students at all grade levels. Thank you for understanding that student growth is a process, not a product. I am grateful to live and work in a community that is concerned about the youngest to oldest member.

Sincerely,

Lynne Peterson

Superintendent

Savage Public School

Writing Project work continues with trip to New Orleans

By Cassandra Moos and Amber Henwood

Members of the Yellowstone Writing Project attended the National Writing Project's winter convention in New Orleans January 19-22. Attendees included two Team Leaders from Bozeman, Allison Wynhoff-Olsen and Peter Strand, as well as two members of the Savage Leadership team, Amber Henwood and Cassandra Moos.

The purpose of the event was to provide focused time to articulate our New Pathway to Leadership: leadership development, writing events, curricular PD, and cross-age collaborations. The group attained resources, guidance, and support from the National Writing Project team and also began preparations for school and community actions to celebrate writing in Savage School. Some of the ideas to come from the convention were to hold a day of writing at the end of this year, as well as plans to create cross-curricular and cross-grade level writing events next year.

The Savage Leadership Team also made time to visit some landmarks and view art that enhanced their content specific areas.



Fourth Grade to have poems published in anthology

By Julianna Evans, Fourth Grade Teacher

Our Fourth Grade class is proud to announce that all of our students' poems have been chosen to be published in the Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans. A parent permission form will be sent in the next few weeks. After this form is signed, their child's poem will be published in the 2016-2017 Anthology. Anthologies may also be purchased. The books will ship April 30, 2017. These make wonderful gifts for family members. We will be given a copy for our school library as well. These poems will be put up in the Commons during the month of February, so be sure to check it out. Fantastic work, Fourth Grade!

Housing, piano player needed for MCT Week

Savage Public School is pleased to announce that Missoula Children's Theater will be coming to Savage once again. This year, MCTG will put on The Tortoise Versus the Hare. Four week in Savage is March 26 through April 2, with show day being March 31. We are looking for housing for the two actresses. One actor has a gluten allergy, the other is allergic to cats. Both are mildly allergic to liquid laundry detergents. We are also looking for a piano player for the week. If you are interested in providing housing or playing piano, please contact Mr. Hoffmann at ahoffmann@savagepublicschool.com.

Candidates for school board election must file by March 23

By Dianna Miller, School Clerk

The school election will be held on May 2nd, 2017 starting at 12:00 Noon until 8:00 p.m. The two trustee positions currently held by Lance Miller and Michelle Smith will be up for election this year. If you are interested in becoming a candidate for one of these two, three-year positions please come to the Clerk's office to pick up Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy forms. A candidate no longer needs voter signatures to be put on the ballot. The deadline for filing to be a candidate is **March 23, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.** You must be a registered voter and have lived in the school district for at least 30 days to be considered a candidate.

As a trustee, you must be prepared to attend all meetings with few exceptions, to attend trainings to keep up with laws and regulations, and to sometimes make difficult and unpopular decisions. It is very important to remember that the school and its students are the first priority of the school board.

At this time no mill levy has been discussed. If there is to be one, more information will be available at a later date. If you have any questions, please call Diana Miller at 776-2317, ext. 220.

Items requested for 'Rustic Romance' Teacher Corner with Ms. Freas

By Amber Henwood

The Sophomore Class will be hosting prom on April 1, 2017. This year's theme is "Rustic Romance". They are looking for items to borrow, that will be returned after prom. Items that they need include, but are not limited to fake western guns, bandanas, cowboy/cowgirl hats and boots, fake flowers, ropes, gun belt, fishing poles, horse shoes, or any other western themed or western antiques items. White or Yellow stringed lights are also needed. If you have items you can loan the sophomores, please contact one of the students or one of the class advisors, Miss Henwood or Miss Becker.

By Erica Freas, Second Grade Teacher

"Isn't it funny how day by day nothing changes, but when you look back everything is different..." -C.S. Lewis

I saw this quote the other day, and it made me think about my career as teacher and all of the students that have impacted my life. As a teacher you have an overwhelming responsibility to help build a child's foundation for success. It may not be easy to see those changes day to day, but it sure is remarkable to look back and see the growth these kids have made. Their enthusiasm, hard work, and determination are what makes these kids and their teachers successful. It's hard not to love this profession. The kids and teachers I work with now, and have worked with in the past are so motivating. I am thankful for what I have learned, and the growth I've made here as well. Looking back prior to my first day at Savage School it seems that "everything is different", and in this case that's a good thing!

JH Bands Superior at Music Fest

Congratulations to the Junior High Bands for their performances at the 2017 Junior High Music Festival. Both the fifth and sixth grade combined band, and the seventh and eighth grade band received a one for their performance. A one is the best score possible, and indicates a Superior performance.

Some individuals also performed solos and duets at music festival. Kayleen Koffkey received a superior for her trumpet solo. Jaden Garcia scored a two, which is 'Excellent' for her alto saxophone solo. Teah Conradsen and Torey Ingvalsen also scored a two for their alto saxophone and flute duet.

Do you need something done around the house? Need some help with spring cleaning? The Savage Student Council is here to help! The annual Helping Hands Auction will take place right after the basketball games on February 11, with proceeds going to the Savage Student Council. For more information, contact Ms. Tuttle!

Warrior Sports February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 HS vs R&L 6:00/7:30	4 HS @ Brockton 4:00/5:30 Elem @ Fairview TBA
5	6	7	8	9	10 HS @ Froid 6:00/7:30	11 HS vs Culbertson (Parent's Night) 4:00/5:30 Elem vs R&L, Fairview TBA
12	13 HS Districts, Sidney	14 HS Districts, Sidney	15 HS Districts, Sidney	16 HS Districts, Sidney	17 HS Districts, Sidney	18 HS Districts, Sidney
19	20	21	22 HS Divisionals, Wolf Point	23 HS Divisionals, Wolf Point	24 HS Divisionals, Wolf Point	25 HS Divisionals, Wolf Point
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Elementary Basketball

Feb. 4 @ Fairview TBA

Feb. 11 vs R/L and Fairview TBA

Remember to turn in uniforms after the last game!

Please note: Savage Public Schools will no longer be selling Season Passes.

Complete schedules and updated times can be found online at www.savagepublicschool.com



High School Basketball

Start times dependent on JV games.

Feb. 3 vs Richie-Lambert 6:00/7:30

Feb. 4 @ Brockton 4:00/5:30

Feb. 10 @ Froid 6:00/7:30

Feb. 11 vs Culbertson (Parent's Night) 4:00/5:30

Feb. 13-18 District Basketball Sidney

Feb. 22-25 Divisional Basketball Wolf Point

March 2-4 Girl's State, Belgrade

March 9-11 Boys' State, Bozeman

February Menu

Breakfast

Feb. 1 Hot and Cold Cereal
Feb. 2 Breakfast Bar
Feb. 3 English Muffin
Feb. 6 Cereal
Feb. 7 Scrambled Eggs
Feb. 8 Hot and Cold Cereal
Feb. 9 Coffee Cake
Feb. 10 Breakfast Bar
Feb. 13 Cereal
Feb. 14 Pancakes with Syrup
Feb. 15 Hot and Cold Cereal
Feb. 16 NO SCHOOL
Feb. 17 NO SCHOOL
Feb. 20 Cereal
Feb. 21 Maple Bar
Feb. 22 Hot and Cold Cereal
Feb. 23 Pancake on a Stick
Feb. 24 French Toast and Syrup
Feb. 27 Cereal
Feb. 28 English Muffin
Mar. 1 Hot and Cold Cereal
Mar. 2 Breakfast Pizza
Mar. 3 Cinnamon Roll

Lunch

Feb. 1 Barber Poles
Feb. 2 Chicken Drumsticks
Feb. 3 Burritos
Feb. 6 Chicken Strips
Feb. 7 Tater Tot Casserole
Feb. 8 Ham and Cheese Sandwiches
Feb. 9 Tacos
Feb. 10 Corn Dogs
Feb. 13 Hamburgers
Feb. 14 Chicken Alfredo
Feb. 15 Scalloped Potatoes and Ham
Feb. 16 NO SCHOOL
Feb. 17 NO SCHOOL
Feb. 20 Sloppy Joes
Feb. 21 Country Fried Steak
Feb. 22 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches
Feb. 23 Chicken Fajitas
Feb. 24 Chili
Feb. 27 Pork Steak
Feb. 28 Lasagna
Mar. 1 French Dip
Mar. 2 Burrito Hot Dish
Mar. 3 Chicken Patty

Reminder: You can check your child's lunch account balance on Power School. Please make sure your child has enough money for their meals!