



Priest River Elementary Board Report

Prepared May 16, 2025

Enrollment:	Mar. 345	Apr. 344	May 345
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Activities/Celebrations:

PTO Spring Carnival - Our Spring Carnival was a huge success! A big thank you to our amazing PTO for organizing this fun-filled event for our students, families, and the community. We're also grateful to all who supported us, including PRE staff, the West Bonner Library, West Bonner County Fire District, Kalispel Tribe, PRLHS Leadership, the Distinguished Young Women Program, and our many community volunteers. We had a total of 54 amazing volunteers!

Astro Day - Astro Day began with an exciting assembly where Mr. Nacc recognized the generous donors who made it possible for our school to host two astronauts.

- **John Phillips** shared the story of the first suborbital space trip by Alan Shepard on May 5, 1961—the anniversary of our event.
- **Audrey Powers**, a Blue Origin astronaut, spoke about her journey to space. Students participated in a suborbital flight demonstration and launched rockets.

Curriculum/Instruction:

Elementary PLC Professional Development Day – May 16

Teachers met at Idaho Hill in grade-level Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). They worked on developing Proficiency Scales and Common Formative Assessments (CFAs) aligned to essential standards for our new report cards. These resources will be shared in a district folder to support all teachers, especially those new to the district. Our K–4 teams also spent the morning scoring the Spring District Writing Assessment (DWA).

ISAT and Spring Benchmark Assessments

We've completed ISAT testing and are finishing up make-up tests. Spring Benchmark Assessments are also underway. These benchmarks provide additional data on student achievement, beyond what ISATs offer. Staff will review the data and set SMART goals for the 2025–26 school year.

Community Outreach:

Smokey the Bear Visit – May 16

Smokey the Bear made his annual visit to our school to celebrate the winners of the Smokey the Bear Poster Contest, coordinated by Pam Aunan. Thanks to the Idaho Department of Lands, the U.S. Forest Service, and of course, Smokey, for making this special day possible.

Kindergarten Roundup

We're doing Kindergarten Registration a little differently this year with a special Roundup event.

- Parents will complete enrollment paperwork and submit required documents.
- Incoming kindergarten students will participate in academic and speech screenings to help us prepare for their arrival.
- Families can enjoy fun activities like crafts, a school tour, and a bus ride. Each child will receive a small gift for attending.

Upcoming Events:

May 22nd - 6th Grade Forest Expo
May 27th - K Field Trip to Safeway
May 29th - K-3 Field Day
May 30th - 4-6 Field Day
June 3rd - 6th Grade Jump Up to PRLHS, 9:45 (Tentative)
June 3rd - WBCSD 5 & 6th Grade Track Meet 11:45
June 4th - 4th Qtr Perfect Attendance Field Trip to Park, 11:00 am - 2:30 pm
June 4th - Jump Up Day K-5, 8:10-8:40
June 5th - Kindergarten Promotion 9:00 am
June 5th - 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony 11:00 am

Astro Day -



PRE PTO SPRING CARNIVAL -



SMOKEY THE BEAR VISIT - K-3 Assembly

