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Memo

To: Board of Trustees

From: Matt Holtry, Principal

CC: R. Sauer, Superintendent

Date: 11/2/2026

Re: High School Principal Report November 2026

Greetings from HHS!

October was another great month at Homedale High School, filled with opportunities for student involvement, academic growth, community engagement, and school spirit. We continue to be proud of the many ways our students, staff, and community come together to create meaningful experiences and prepare our students for success beyond high school.

October Highlights

Homecoming Week | October 5–10

Homecoming Week was a tremendous success, filled with school spirit, exciting activities, and great memories for our students and community. It was another great opportunity to celebrate the traditions of Homedale High School and bring our school and community together.



Parent-Teacher Conferences | October 15

National FFA Convention | October 18–24

Our FFA students had the opportunity to participate in the National FFA Convention, representing Homedale and our agricultural education program. Experiences like these provide valuable opportunities for leadership development, career exploration, and personal growth beyond the classroom.

District Policy Parent Meeting | October 19

Superintendent and district leadership hosted a parent meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the main gymnasium to address the district's new policy regarding concealed carry for staff. The meeting provided an opportunity to communicate information, answer questions, and engage with parents regarding this important district policy.



PSAT/NMSQT | October 27

Students participated in the PSAT/NMSQT during first through third periods. We were excited to see a record number of students sign up to participate this year. This increased interest is encouraging and reflects our continued efforts to promote college readiness and provide students with opportunities to explore their postsecondary options.

Border College Fair | October 28

Our juniors attended the Border College Fair at Treasure Valley Community College (TVCC). The event was well attended and featured an outstanding representation of colleges and universities from throughout the Northwest, along with numerous career and technical education opportunities. This was a valuable experience for our students as they begin exploring their options and planning for life after high school.



Upcoming November Events

November 2 – Senior Parent Meeting

Facilitated by Mrs. Kristie Dorsey, this meeting will provide seniors and their parents an opportunity to visit with Mrs. Dorsey about the preparation and planning students have been putting into their next steps after high school. Topics will include FAFSA, scholarships, college applications, career choices, and other important postsecondary planning opportunities. We appreciate Mrs. Dorsey's continued leadership in helping our seniors navigate this important transition.

November 11 – Veterans Day Assembly

November 12 – Every Monday Matters Student Training
Our students will participate in Every Monday Matters training, emphasizing the importance of individual actions, positive relationships, kindness, and creating a school culture where everyone feels valued and connected.

November 12 – FFA Harvest Auction & Reunion
Our FFA program will host its Harvest Auction and Reunion, bringing together students, alumni, families, and community supporters to celebrate and support our agricultural education program.

November 19 – Bite of Reality Financial Simulation
Our senior Economics students will participate in the Bite of Reality simulation, an interactive financial literacy experience made possible through the partnership of local banks and businesses. These community partners have joined forces to provide our seniors with a real-world financial simulation designed to give them a better understanding of what life may look like after high school. Students will experience making financial decisions, managing expenses, and navigating the responsibilities that come with living independently. We appreciate the local businesses and financial institutions that invest in providing these valuable learning experiences for our students.

November 23–27 – Thanksgiving Break

As we move toward the holiday season, we remain focused on providing meaningful opportunities for our students both inside and outside the classroom. Whether it is preparing for college, exploring career opportunities, developing leadership skills, strengthening financial literacy, or building positive relationships, our goal remains the same: preparing every student for success in whatever path they choose after Homedale High School.

I continue to appreciate the dedication of our teachers, support staff, parents, and community members. The partnerships and relationships we build are what make Homedale such a special place for students to learn, grow, and prepare for their futures.

Respectfully,

Matt Holtry
Principal, Homedale High School

HHS Band- This year's marching band season has been a tremendous success! Our program has continued to grow in numbers, musical ability, and overall performance quality. We proudly brought home some second-place and third-place trophies from competitions this season. Our color guard has also returned stronger than ever, adding energy, excellence, and excitement to our performances. With continued growth and dedication from our students, we look forward to an even brighter future for our marching band program! Onward to parades this month!









Enrollment- Wednesday 10-28-26

Freshman- 95

Sophomores- 80

Juniors- 99

Seniors- 93

Total - 367

Attendance Percentage on 10-28-26

Freshman- 93.4%

Sophomores- 92.7%

Juniors- 88%

Seniors- 90.5%