

# Administration Reports

## September 2022

### Sam Boardman Elementary

Week 1	Daily Attendance Avg. #	Enrollment Avg.	Avg. Daily Attendance %
8/29/22-9/1/22	341.7	351.3	95.6%



### **Summer School**

SBE welcomed 141 students into our building from August 2nd to August 16th for summer school. Teachers and students took advantage of the enthusiasm of a fresh year to implement social-emotional learning and give students confidence in their foundational skills. Hands on learning, STEAM, and smiling faces were found around the campus during the 11 days of our jumpstart program. The program ended with Lamb Weston bringing their fry truck to celebrate our students and staff!

### **Beginning of Year Activities**

After a week of preparing classrooms and attending relevant professional development, Sam Boardman staff enjoyed having families and students walk the halls and visit classrooms during our Open House event held on August 25th. Relationships are a focus here at SBE, and Open House is seen as the first step towards developing connections within our community.

### **Week 1 of Instruction**

The first week of school was a successful combination of building community, relationships, and structure within our building. New and exciting at Sam Boardman Elementary is the implementation of TEAM Time (Together Everyone Achieves More) as our end of the day routine. TEAM Time serves many purposes including building schoolwide community, positive culture, required structured PE, and streamlines our dismissal process which has been an issue in the past.

We are excited about what this school year has in store for Sam Boardman Elementary students and staff!

Thank you for your continued support.

### Windy River Elementary

#### **Attendance:**

August 29th	August 30th	August 31st
Students Present = 244	Students Present = 238	Students Present = 240
Students Enrolled = 255	Students Enrolled = 255	Students Enrolled = 253

Windy River Elementary had a wonderful summer school. Students built 3-D models, coded robots and conducted experiments. Our in-service week was full of inspiration and learning. Adam Welcome's keynote speech was very

engaging and motivating. Staff at Windy River ended the week with a team-building BBQ and cornhole tournament, followed by an extremely well-attended Open House. We gave out over 200 popsicles and raffled off a fun basket to a student! We were also able to share information about our School-wide Title I Program which supports our school reading and math goals.

Windy River Elementary  
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So exciting to see students on the first day of school at Windy River Elementary School!

1,001 People reached      282 Engagements

Boost post

Communicating with our students' families is a priority. Our WRE Facebook page continues to be a successful way to communicate with families. Our 1st day of school post has been seen over 1,000 times. We also send home parent newsletters, automated phone calls, flyers and events posted on the WRE website.

Picture Day is coming up next week along with a STEAM event at Windy River with Devin Bailey the Think Big Space STEM Educator from the Sage Center. He will be conducting experiments with students on Friday, September 9th. Thank you.

## Riverside Jr/Sr High School

We are excited to start the school as we return to more of a traditional experience for our students. Our focus is to have the best year of school for each of our students and staff. The plan is to create positive opportunities to highlight our students and remember that school can be more than just academics. This means we plan to bring multiple dances/activities back to students!

Fall sports have kicked off and each program is having a steady increase in participation and excited to watch our athletes participate this school year. Between junior high and high school, we have 171 student athletes playing JH/HS cross country, JH/HS Football, JH/HS Volleyball, boys and girls Soccer. It is a great time of year!

We have welcomed nine new staff members to the building and pleased to report that everyone is working extremely hard to make this school year a fantastic experience for all. To support these new folks, Mr. Christy and Mr. Sheller have continued the mentor program this year. The focus of this mentor program is to support new teachers with best practices in education. We plan to do this through peer observations and targeted professional development.

RJSHS Hosted a senior parent orientation, aimed at supporting families of seniors on what to expect this year (AND beyond!). Mrs. Rosen, our academic counselor, did a terrific job with this.

Mr. Sheller led all of our freshmen in "Freshman Orientation." This class focused on what to expect in HS, how to thrive and not just survive, and some practical strategies on being successful.

# Selfies - 1st Day of school!



## AC Houghton Elementary

Our 2022-2023 school year is underway! Much like last year our student academics and emotional health is a high priority. It is vital that we create the best relationships we can with our families, and our community, to meet the needs of our students. We are off to a great start following our Jumpstart program the beginning of August and have successfully completed week one of the 2022-2023 year.

Jumpstart was held the first couple weeks of August. Students were welcomed Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August through Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup>, from 7:45am-1:45pm. ACH had 87 students enrolled and we averaged 84% attendance each day. Teachers were excited to get to meet incoming students, and students enjoyed being back in the building, eating in the cafeteria and getting to have recess with more students than just a small cohort. I am happy to report our Covid numbers were minimal during this time. Here at ACH we will continue to be conscientious of student health and safety, but are also looking forward to activities we haven't been able to enjoy for the past two school years! Also, during Jumpstart, students were served by: *Advantage Dental* for screenings and given a toothbrush & toothpaste; our SRO Deputy Haak to learn about safety; Devin Bailey our *Think Big Space* teacher.

Our new *Think Big Space* Mr. Bailey, not only came to teach a lesson during Jumpstart, but is also visiting classrooms this week to get students excited about STEM and STEAM Fridays to start off the regular school year. Mr. Bailey keeps the students engaged with facts, hands on materials, and shares his love of science! Inserted is a photo of our 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade split class enjoying one of his lessons.

Student enrollment for this fall at ACH is up a few students and currently at 220 registered students. I am very proud to say our *EVERY DAY MATTERS* campaign for attendance is off to a great start as we averaged well over 90% attendance for week one! Our teachers are working hard to build relationships with students to ensure their looking forward to school every day and our CARE Coordinator and secretary are working on helping parents remember to make sure students are regular attenders,





and to call if their student will be absent. Teachers are also familiarizing themselves with our new ELA curriculum *Amplify*, which adds an extra element to the new year with learning something new themselves! Our student picture day is this Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>, and we are adding a fun dress-up day in honor of Round-Up by inviting students to dress as cowboys or cowgirls this Friday.

Looking forward to a great year at ACH, I have been gone for six years and it truly feels like I've returned home!

## Irrigon Elementary School

Irrigon Elementary School has kicked off the school year with a great group of 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and, 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Our teachers have worked hard over the past week working on school expectations, processes and, getting to know their students. We have jumped into our new ELA Curriculum and the teachers and students have already enjoyed the curriculum. We have completed summer school where we focused on making sure our students who attended got a jump-start into their grade level. The students worked on ELA, math, and STEAM lessons. We also celebrated their academic successes with pizza and ice cream. In the upcoming month we will have our IReady diagnostic assessment, 6<sup>th</sup> grade will attend Outdoor School at Camp Elkanah. Lastly, our playground got some fun additions for our students to enjoy.



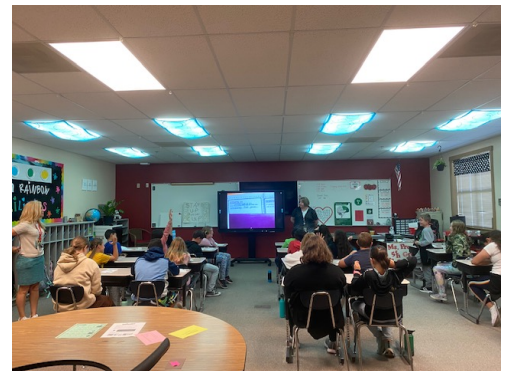
The hallways were filled with students with fresh haircuts, new shoes and, happy smiles. Our students were eager to learn the school rules, expectations and, to meet their classroom teacher. Overall, the week ended with a lot of student success and staff feeling content with their new students.

Our new curriculum has a lot to offer our teachers and students. Most of my teachers have made comments about how good the first unit has been and how accommodating it is to all students with different backgrounds. They have also incorporated the passage process into the Amplify curriculum. This has been great to see as an administrator. I have been able to move around the school and be in classrooms more frequently, which has allowed me to

make connections with students and staff.

We had a great turn out for summer school this year. Our classrooms were full of students engaged in their learning and the classroom learning activities. We had students create food trucks, participate in circuit board building and Lego robotics.

We are starting our IReady Diagnostic assessment this week so we can use the data to place or students in math and reading interventions. This assessment is completed 3 times a year so we can monitor academic growth and where we need to provide additional supports.



Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be attending Outdoor School at Camp Elkanah for three days. During camp they will learn about some of the natural resources in our region and also teach them survival skills in the wilderness. This is our 5<sup>th</sup> year attending camp at Elkanah.

Lastly, we have been installing new playground equipment for our students to play with/on. The new additions are tire swings, four concrete corn hole boards, and, a concrete ping pong table.

looking forward to this year as we have opened our doors to the 2022-23 school year.



## **Irrigon Jr/Sr High School**

Leadership students are planning for 2022/23 Homecoming. This year's theme is "Stuck in a Dream." We will have festivities throughout the week of September 19-September 24, including two volleyball matches and a football game. The week will round out with a dance on September 24.

Irrigon students were very successful at the Morrow County Fair this year.

Sheep: Grand Champion Showman Alexis Dames

Goats: Advanced Showman Sierra Simmons  
Beginning Showman Miranda Flagg  
Overall Showman Sierra Simmons  
Grand Champion Market Goats Sierra Simmons  
Dairy Goat Nathan Wedam  
Reserve Dairy Goat Isabel Wedam

Swine: Grand Champion Hog Cyrus Piel  
Reserve Grand Champion Declan Purves  
Advanced Reserve Showmanship Briar Reeves  
Beginning Showmanship Leah Mueller  
Beginning Reserve Showman Evan Purves  
Overall Grand Champion Showman Leah Mueller

Dairy Cattle: Showmanship Grand Champion Nathan Wedam  
Reserve Grand Champion Sierra Simmons  
Overall Grand Champion Dairy Heifer Klarisza Gomez  
Beginning Showmanship Grand Champion Miranda Flagg

Beef Cattle: Grand Champion Heifer Sierra Simmons

Fall Sports are in full swing. This is the first year IJSHS will play 9-man football. Volleyball has a home game coming up on September 13 and soccer is currently playing their games away due to the construction of the track. The track surface is set to be placed beginning September 12. With painting of lines to follow. The painting of lines will take place after the Homecoming Football Game on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Heppner Elementary**

Aloha! At HES we are celebrating a year that feels "back to normal" every day, with smiles that are visible and a positive outlook. HES has grown in student numbers and for the first time in the eight years that I've been here, we have over 200 students, 201 to be exact.

We kicked it all off with an average of 75 students from all grades attending summer school. Mrs. Coiner taught a blend of 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Mrs. Chelsea Matheny taught a balanced blend of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and Mrs. Sara Matheny taught the other 1-2<sup>nd</sup> group. In addition, Mrs. Lynn Calvert taught the Kindergarten Jumpstart.

There was some great focused time for students to work on their level of core subjects balanced with daily hands on activities. We also made Social Emotional Learning (SEL) a priority with activities that encouraged students to work on their relationships with one another.

Staff returned in full force during in-service week. We were busy with preparation to teach our adopted Language Arts curriculum. Thankfully our district instructional coaches were able to be in our building for some support. We look forward to continuing to master this new curriculum with scheduled dates for follow up professional development.

Our open house was again well attended. Over 70% of our student households were represented by a parent or guardian. Many brought younger siblings who were able to explore their future school, at least they were able to try out the playground equipment.

After one week of school things are settling down. We are still looking to fill some positions and have been successful using word of mouth to attract several new staff already. Please help us spread the word that HES is a great place to work.

Speaking of new staff here are the staffing changes at HES. Mrs. Darcy Robinson retired this summer after more than 25 years as a school secretary in Heppner, working at both schools during that time. Mrs. Melissa (Missy) Cutsforth also retired this summer. We thank them and congratulate them on their accomplishments. They will be missed.

We welcome, from Sam Boardman Elementary School, Ms. Bo Bourasa as a K-2 teacher, assigned to Kindergarten this year. In a sense Bo returns to our school having student taught here a couple of years ago. Also Mrs. Chelsea Matheny is in a new position taking 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Mrs. Stefanie Sweeney is the new head secretary at HES. This caused a trickle effect and with retirements, changed positions, new positions due to our increased numbers, and a resignation we are in the process of hiring several new classified staff. We have welcomed Mrs. JoAnna Lamb and Mrs. Tara McLaren as new Ed Assistants. There are two more new employees working through onboard processes and we hope to complete our staff in the next month.

As always thanks for all you do for our students and staff.

## **Heppner Jr/Sr High School**

Greetings MCSD Board of Directors and welcome to the new school year. We are really excited about the upcoming year and looking forward to providing opportunities for students at Heppner Jr/Sr High School.

Heppner Jr/Sr High School hosted Jump Start which ran from August 1<sup>st</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>. This event is designed to provide early education opportunities to incoming students and typically targets all middle school students and incoming freshman. During the two-week event there were 20 students that participated. This event is organized and lead by Mrs. Katelyn Adams.

The first week of school was a success. We started with an all school assembly on Monday and had the opportunity to establish a positive tone for the school year. Our ASB students were involved in the planning and preparation of this event which was an added bonus. For the remainder of the week we used the advisory schedule to provide time for our advisors to meet with all of their students and review handbook material and safety information. This year we are going to focus on "Stand for the Brand" with our students and building a culture of what it means to be a Mustang.

We will be hosting our Open House and BBQ event on Wednesday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 pm. Our goal is to take this event and turn it into a welcome back event where staff, students, and families can reconnect. We will incorporate our middle school and freshman/new student orientations into this event as well. We hope to provide families the opportunity to visit classroom and meet their student's teachers all while socializing and enjoying each other's company.

Throughout the school year there will be a multitude of events that will be taking place on a monthly basis here at Heppner Jr/Sr High School. As part of our communication process here at HJSHS we plan to use a variety of media outlets to share out information. This would include the use of our school web page, social media sites,

local newspaper, reader board, daily announcements, SportsYou App, automated text alerts, and our robocall phone system. Our goal with communication is to use multiple sources and stay consistent throughout the school year to ensure our families and community stay informed.

Fall sport programs are off and running and we have experienced positive participation numbers with our programs to start the school year. Currently we have the following numbers in each of our programs which equates to a 66% extra-curricular participation rate for HJSHS students:

HS Football-34	HS Volleybal-14	
HS XC- 14	HS Cheerleading-5	
MS Football-17	MS Volleyball-21	MS XC-10

**Management’s Discussion and Analysis**

**MCS D – Maintenance & Facilities Update –**

July & August were busy months and went by quickly. Our staff worked hard to have projects completed and the buildings ready for staff and students to start the new school year.

We ordered several i-mops, two extractors, a scrubber, burnisher and swing machine for the schools that requested them. We believe investing in equipment is a responsible use of funding and helps our staff to be productive and efficient.

We installed carpet in classrooms at Sam Boardman and Riverside Jr Sr High, the Ag/Tech building at Heppner Jr Sr High has flake flooring in the women’s restroom to match the men’s restroom that was completed last year and the Irrigon Jr Sr High upper hallway has polished concrete floors.

Lighting upgrades that are complete or scheduled include LED lights on the outside walkway for the gym at Heppner Jr Sr High, LED parking lot lights for 6 poles at Irrigon Elementary, LED outside lighting for the soffits around Riverside Jr Sr High’s main building and grounds shop and LED bulbs in the Riverside Jr Sr High auditorium.

The Irrigon Jr Sr High Track is well on its way, thanks to The Port of Morrow, Benyon/Field Turf, The City of Irrigon, Rock Enterprises, and Rock Electric. The goal is to complete the project by late September just in time for Homecoming Week.

Silver Creek Contracting have been working diligently on the Heppner Jr Sr High Baseball Practice Facility has made great progress this summer.

Final proposals for the HVAC Projects covered by ESSER II and III funds were approved by the Board in June. The controls work will be scheduled when the electrical contractors are available and may be done during the school year when possible. Equipment has been ordered and installation will be completed the summer of 2023. WTI and McKinstry are aware of the two ESSER fund deadlines of September 2023 and September 2024.

*Heppner Jr Sr High:* Controls Hardware Upgrade, Gym AHU Replacement, Multipurpose AHU Replacement

*AC Houghton:* Controls Hardware Upgrade

*Irrigon Jr Sr High:* Controls Hardware Upgrade, Office HVAC Upgrade, and Cafeteria AHU Replacement

*Riverside Jr Sr High:* Controls Hardware Upgrade, Decouple HVAC in Office & Commons and Replace Controller on the AHU-4

*Sam Boardman Elementary:* Controls Hardware Upgrade and Replace Office Area HVAC

Respectfully Submitted By,  
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**Staff Incident/Accidents Report:**

Date	School	Incident
None		

