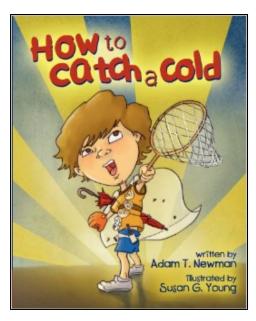
Applegate School



Report to the School Board March 2015



Real Life Author to Visit! - Students grades K-3 will have an opportunity Tuesday, March 31st to meet author Adam T. Newman of the children's book "How to Catch a Cold".

Newman is a children's book author whose childhood consisted of sports, reading comic books and playing with action figures.

Newman worked for film studios as an art director and graphic designer. He is also the recipient of the prestigious "World's Greatest Dad" award which was presented by his two wonderful kids in the form of a t-shirt. Students in many cities have enjoyed Newman's visits!

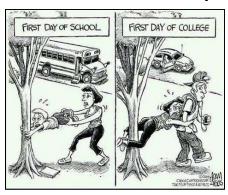
We are so fortunate to have Adam at our school!

Tech Update: WiFi Enhanced at Applegate



Bandwidth = Speed! – An additional access point installed for WiFi has enabled an additional 25 Chromebooks to be incorporated into use primarily for students 5-8. School wide, students are working to improve their words per minute (WPM) keyboarding numbers, and upcoming assessments which are administered online require students to be able to use computer tools unique to those assessments, so teachers are working hard to make sure students have those skills at the ready when test time comes!

Parent-Teacher Group Busy at Applegate



PTSG Continues is High Level of Service! – The Applegate PTSG has had a great year of serving our school. They continue this month with their involvement in Classified Week the first week of March, and a pledge of cooperation and support for the Garden Club's school beautification project. The Club seeks to install a watering system for the front and entrance side of the Applegate building, and for the garden as well. The group also conducted a Coin Drive which collected over \$500. Monies will support teaching and learning at our school!



Applegate Celebrates Reading! – Applegate School celebrated Read Across America Monday, March 2. Students K-3 wore pajamas, brought stuffed animals, pillow and blankets to join other schools nationally to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Students celebrated the afternoon with various reading, crafts, and games in the gym. Applegate teacher Debbie Yerby took the lead role to make this wonderful event loads of fun for parents and students alike!



Knocking Off Socks! – Applegate students are donating new pairs of socks in a partnership with the Oregon Housing Alliance and many other schools across our county and state to remind state legislators that there are over 20,000 homeless kids who live in our state, and tens of thousands of others who

experienced homelessness last year. The sock drive has been a success according to Janie Burstein, Applegate Library Manager and Family Advocate.



Cougar Girls Rock! – Applegate Cougars girls' basketball teams just completed highly successful seasons. Both the JV and Varsity teams finished above .500, and the Varsity girls managed a 3rd place trophy at the Southern Oregon Middle School Athletic Conference Small Schools Basketball Tournament (SOMSAC).

Paula Fisher and Megan Powers coached the teams.

Fridays are school spirit days at Applegate, when students wear Blue and White, the colors of the COUGARS!