

# Medford High School

School Board Report February 2015

### 1. Busy Students

- Students in the SAD Organization participated in the Feed My Starving Children food pack event on January 26<sup>th</sup>
- The first performance of the One-Act Play for the public was a great success!
- The One-Act Play was performed for all 7-12 students on Friday, 1/30
- Snow Week will be February 9th-13th

## 2. Teachers as Learners

- Assuring High Achievement for All Students
  - Chris Ovrebo attended the state-wide professional development conference for secondary principals. Keynote speakers included Doug Reeves, Kim Marshall, and Commissioner Brenda Casselius.
- Utilizing Educational Best Practice With All Staff
  - Tim Larson and Lisa Hoefs attended the annual Ag Technology Professional Development conference for agricultural educators and learned about integrating physics and chemistry into ag classes and previewed the new large mammal wildlife curriculum
- Provide a Safe and Welcoming Atmosphere for Everyone
  - i. Kevin Werk, Jerome Johannes, Rich Powers, & Sara Markham attended a track coaching clinic
  - ii. Julie VanLangen, Alyssa Strunk, & Jenny Kellen attended a softball coaching clinic

#### 3. Rich Powers is the High School Teacher of the Month

## 4. College Financial Aid Readiness Night

The first annual College Readiness was a success. More than 50 people attended.
They heard about the upcoming ACT+Writing for juniors, a detailed financial aid
presentations from Riverland College, local scholarship information, and how we
use Ramp Up to Readiness to prepare all students for college.

#### 5. Spring Parent Conferences

• Feedback from parents that attended fall conferences was mixed with many appreciating the new format and a chance to visit in private with their child's teachers. Many also asked that the conferences be moved back in to the commons because the change meant that conferences took much more time. In response to the feedback, we are going to offer conferences in teacher classrooms on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and conferences in the commons on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

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