

Homedale School District #370

TO: Board of Trustees; Superintendent Rob Sauer
FROM: Amy Winters, HMS Principal
DATE: May 12, 2014
RE: Board of Trustees Report

Science ISATs:

All 7th grade students (103) took the Science ISATs this year. Overall, students did not do as well as they did in 5th grade, which could be attributed to several things. I looked back at last year's class and the results are very similar.

*50% of 7th graders proficient/advanced compared to this year's 48%.

*69% of those same students as 5th graders scored 69% proficient/advanced which is the same as this year, 69%.

*73% of those students showed growth from 5th to 7th grade compared to this year's 68%.

	7th grade (2013)	5th grade (2011)	*Growth
Below Basic	26%	10%	68%
Basic	25%	21%	
Proficient	19%	35%	
Advanced	29%	33%	

*The percentage of growth was calculated based on the students who attended HMS in 5th and 7th grade. This represents any student who scored at least one point higher on the 7th grade test than what he/she scored as a 5th grader.

	5th grade (2013)	5th grade (2012)
Below Basic	7%	0%
Basic	37%	23%
Proficient	34%	53%
Advanced	20%	23%

End-of-Year Benchmark Testing:

Testing took place May 6 and 7. Results will be available next month.

School Tours:

4th grade tour of HMS – May 8

8th grade tour of HHS – May 8

Parent Night:

HMS will present information about the 8 in 6 program for parents of 6-8th graders on Monday, May 12. The program provides students with an opportunity to take overload courses (one each summer, one each semester) to meet graduation requirements the end of the sophomore year. The state will then pay for students to take dual credit classes throughout their junior and senior years, graduating with an Associate's degree and high school diploma. We plan to begin offering classes this summer in conjunction with IDLA.

Upcoming Events:

May 13: Idaho Drug Free Youth Field Trip to YMCA
May 16: School Awards Assembly and 7/8 Field Day
May 20: 6-8th grade Art Show
May 20-22: Final Exams
May 22: 8th grade graduation

***Kelly Schamber** is graduating from BSU with her Masters of Ed. Leadership this month.
***Lesla Folwell** will begin her internship at HMS for the Master's in Ed. Leadership.
***Zack Kimball** is beginning his Master's degree in Ed. Leadership this summer.
***Becky DeMark** is beginning her Bachelor's degree in Secondary Mathematics this summer.