



New Bridge High School

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NBHS will end our first quarter of instruction on Friday, 24 October. Due to Synergy importing issues, our Progress Report plans were modified on 19 September from a short day and teachers holding a student conference with each student and their Treatment Mgr. on unit to a teacher and student discussion in the classroom.

During the last 5 weeks, 22 students have left our school, 17 have enrolled leaving us with a current count of 100 students.

A first for us and RVYCF was conducted on September 26th when a full school wide assemble was held in the middle of the morning so all attending students could hear the story of Jeff LaLonde. Jeff is a Grants Pass native, now living in New York and works as a writer and stand-up comic. Jeff also shares a story with many of our students in that as a child, he visited his dad weekly in Salem at one of the DOC facilities. Jeff's story was about hope, "look at me," and an insightful conversation with the audience about the "unintended" skills we all have and why it is important to turn those into something positive. It was an hour of pointed quietness, laughter, and audience participation and something that we will consider again in the future if it involves the correct fit.

Our first ODE approved student assessment using Let's Go Learn was completed by the third week of Sept. Of all the students tested, 36 were present for both the summer and fall testing session. In the area of reading, 93% of the summer/fall tested students showed measurable growth. In the area of math, 32% of the summer/fall tested students showed growth, the reminders were either flat line or declined. Our next testing window is scheduled for December and the results will be carefully dissected.

Current activities remain focused on student learning. All teachers are in the process of finalizing their three goals, safe school training, plus weekly engagement in IEP's. The classified team remains steadfast in their roles of providing support to our students and teaching staff and continues with their safe school training.

For additional information regarding NBHS, please check our newspaper at NEWBRIDGENEWS.ORG, log in is READER, password is READER.

Mission Statement: *In partnership with Oregon Youth Authority, NBHS will prepare students to meet graduation requirements and continue their education for transition to the world of work.*