



# WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**TO:** Three Rivers School District Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Williams Elementary School  
Principal, Mrs. Renee Hults  
**RE:** First Trimester Board Brief  
**DATE:** November 2, 2012

## ENROLLMENT

K	-	20
1	-	8
2	-	12
3	-	9
4	-	12
5	-	6
Total Current Enrollment	-	67

## AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS-21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant

Williams Elementary School is a part of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant that provides an afterschool academic and enrichment program. Beginning in October students were provided with an hour and a half afterschool Academic and Activity time that will run through November 15<sup>th</sup>. The fall session is designed to focus on building good homework habits and teaching students strategies to help them complete and turn in assignments. After homework is complete students will have a time to participate in a daily fun activity ranging from arts and crafts, computer time, PE activities, and board games.

## HOLIDAY PROGRAM

You are cordially invited to our annual Holiday Program entitled "The Littlest Reindeer". Join the entire school for a fun filled musical evening on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the school gym. All students K-5<sup>th</sup> including an all star cast of 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will sing, dance, and perform their way into the hearts of family and community members. This event includes an invitation to the Williams Community.

## JOG-A-THON

On October 11<sup>th</sup> Williams Elementary School held our largest fundraiser of the year, our annual Jog-a-thon. This was a very successful Jog-a-thon thanks to the many family and community members who have continued to help support this annual fund raiser. The funds from the Jog-a-thon are used for classroom field trips and school wide enrichment programs and assemblies.

## OPEN HOUSE

Williams Elementary School held our annual Open House Night on Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Students, parents, and staff were treated to an ice cream social. Parents were invited to visit their student's classrooms and meet the teachers. Students displayed their weekly work and art projects.

## MUSIC PROGRAM

Guitar and Violin classes taught by Warren Whistler are underway with students in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> participating in beginning and intermediate lessons. This program is being funded with money raised during our annual Spring Concert, community and business donations, grants, and with a small one time tuition fee for students attending the program.

### **PBIS:**

We are continuing to support and build our schools positive behavior system. Students earn pioneer pride tickets for making good choices and leading by example. Those tickets are entered into a school-wide drawing where we celebrate positive behavior. We are continuing to grow our program to meet the needs of our students. The staff is doing a fabulous job teaching our students to be safe, responsible and respectful in the classroom and the community. Just can't hide that pioneer pride!

### **SAFETY**

September and October were accident free months for Williams Elementary School. We strive to maintain this accident free record by continuing to hold monthly safety meetings to discuss any safety issues. We continue to hold monthly fire drills, teaching staff, students, and visitors to be safe and responsible during fire drills. We also regularly conduct a walk-through to visually inspect our site.

### **SMART**

The SMART reading program began in October and is a rewarding experience for both the students and the volunteers. Students are excited to read with their SMART volunteers and look forward to their weekly visits.

### **ACTIVITIES FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER**

- ❖ **Field Trips:**  
In September Mrs. Wardle's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class went to White Oak Farm for a full day on the farm. They learned about the importance of food on the farm. They were able to visit Whites Country Farm in Jacksonville in October. Also in October Mrs. Bingham's class visited Crater Lake Park for the day and on a separate visit they spent the day at the Siskiyou National Monument in Ashland. Amazingly the Crater Lake visit was a warm 70 degree day and on the Ashland visit they encountered snow! Mrs. Agnifile's K/1 class also had the chance to visit White Oak Farm for the day during October.
  
- ❖ **All School Hat Day:**  
All students at Williams Elementary celebrated a special day thanks to Joanne Worth and the Williams hat ladies. On October 29th students were able to pick out hand made knitted winter hats donated by these loving ladies of Williams. This event occurs every year as a school/community project fostering relationships between school and community.