

Homedale School District #370

TO: Board of Trustees; Superintendent Rob Sauer
FROM: Amy Winters, HMS Principal
DATE: June 13, 2016
RE: Board of Trustees Report

May Student Support

122 students attended to make up work and bring up their grades. For enrichment we had a fire pit for students to make s'mores, a water slide, and outdoor games. The Leadership Club and Student Council played in knocker balls for their end-of-year activity.

Grant

Congratulations to Brenda Reay for winning an Action for Healthy Kids grant in the amount of \$1000! This will pay for transportation to the YMCA next year during student enrichment times on Fridays.

Congratulations to Brenda Reay for winning the Drug prevention grant in the amount of \$14,458. This will continue the drug prevention classes she and Mr. Correa teach throughout the year.

Plant Donation

The Owyhee Gardeners Club donated and helped plant a Syringa bush in front of the middle school and they provided some education about the plant. Students from Mr. Correa's PE class helped plant it as well.



ISAT Results

English Language Arts

Grade Level	% Proficient 2014-2015	% Proficient 2015-2016	Growth
5 th	35.6%	45%	3%
6 th	27.1%	37%	1.4%
7 th	45.8%	20%	-7.1%
8 th	46.5%	47%	1.2%

In 5th, 6th, and 7th grade, we noticed the areas our students did not do so well in was mostly the same for the grade levels. Below is the list. This means that we have gaps in our curriculum and the information is not being taught enough or at all. We will be making changes in these areas for the upcoming year.

With the 8th grade we saw students doing better with reading targets but still struggling with the same writing areas. We will be incorporating an extra emphasis on writing in the building next year with a fall, winter, and spring assessment similar to the old Direct Writing Assessment (DWA).

IT = Informational Text LT = Literary Text

Reading

Key details (IT)
Central ideas (IT)
Reasoning and Evidence (IT) (LT)
Language Use (IT)
Word Meaning (LT)
Text Structures/Features (LT)

Writing

Compose narrative texts
Compose informational texts (5th grade)
Compose explanatory texts (6th grade)
Editing

Math

Grade Level	% Proficient 2014-2015	% Proficient 2015-2016	Growth
5 th	18.3%	18%	-14%
6 th	9.7%	20%	1.7%
7 th	21.8%	11%	1.3%
8 th	22.7%	19%	-2.8%

Across all four grades students struggled in each math concept. The math team is working this summer to better organize the curriculum and will teach to a schedule next year. We need to give our new curriculum time to work before we will likely see improvements in student growth.