

# Memo

**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Matt Holtry, Principal  
**CC:** R. Sauer, Superintendent  
**Date:** 1/6/2026  
**Re:** High School Principal Report January 2026

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Greetings from HHS!

We are excited to be back and rolling into the 2nd semester here at HHS!

As we continue the work of improving student performance in Math, Language Arts, and Reading through Exact Path we are encouraged by some of the results from our 2nd round of diagnostic testing. (See Results). We will be continuing the use of Exact Path for our 9th-11th Grade students during Tier Time. We are fortunate to have the support to continue this work. The results more than speak for themselves. We will continue to incentivize the work of our students in Exact path and also incentivize student successes on the ISATs in the spring.

This month we are refocusing on the PBIS theme of "Respect" as we revisit each of our themes for our district this second round. In our PBIS community, demonstrating Respect for others as well as for ourselves is critical to our success as students and individual citizens. By practicing respect at school, students develop habits that extend beyond the classroom. These skills help them become responsible citizens who contribute positively to their families, workplaces, and communities. Respect builds trust, strengthens relationships, and reflects the character we want to represent in our school and in our community every day.

As always we are truly blessed to be here and to be a part of HHS!

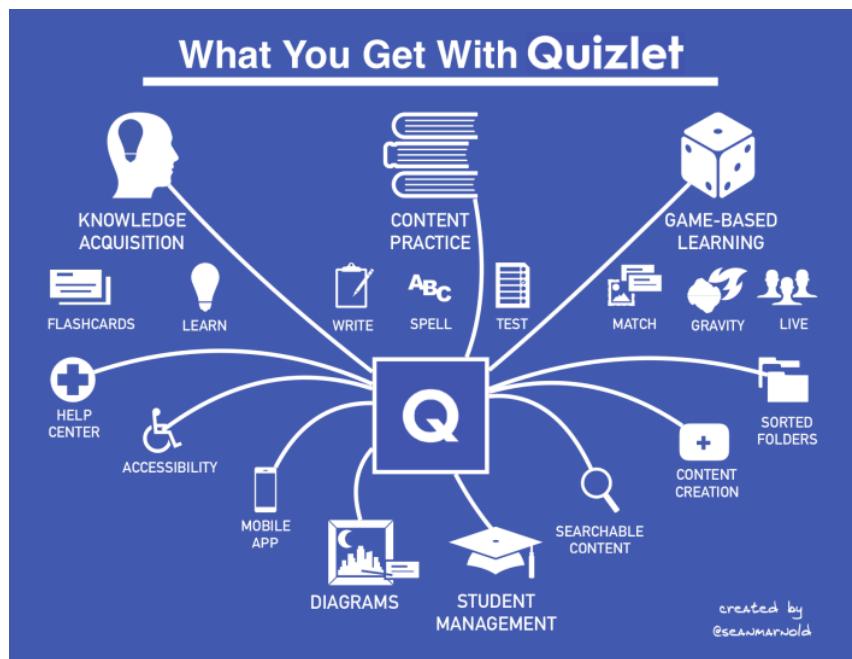
Matt Holtry

## **Teacher Corner- Mr Lee- Review Tool “Quizlet” for student success**

By using Quizlet, Mr. Lee provides students with an additional resource to reinforce learning outside of direct instruction while supporting a variety of learning styles.

Quizlet is highly engaging and interactive, encouraging active student participation rather than passive review. Students can utilize features such as digital flashcards, practice tests, matching games, and timed review activities that promote recall, critical thinking, and self-assessment. The platform also allows students to study independently or collaborate with peers, making learning both personalized and social. Additionally, Quizlet provides immediate feedback, helping students identify areas of strength and areas that need further practice.

The flexibility of Quizlet allows it to be used for vocabulary development, content review, formative assessment, and exam preparation. It supports differentiated instruction by allowing students to work at their own pace while still aligning with course standards and learning objectives. Mr. Lee’s use of Quizlet reflects purposeful integration of technology to enhance engagement, increase student ownership of learning, and improve academic readiness.





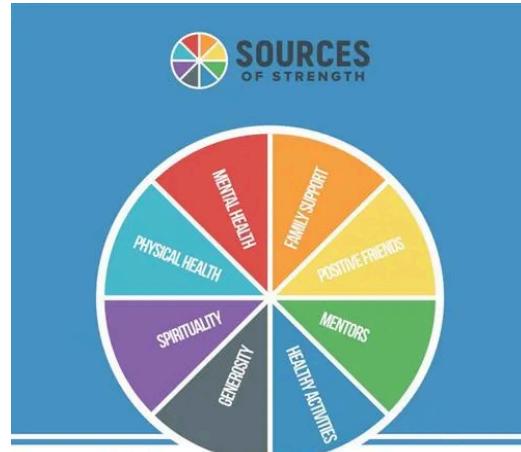
### **Renaissance Faire Donation to HHS! \$2,000 to Art and \$3,000 to Drama Club**

“I had a drama alumni tell me that the Idaho Renaissance Faire offers donations to school arts programs. In March of 2024, I sent an email to [info@idahorenfair.org](mailto:info@idahorenfair.org) requesting information. On September 25, 2025 I received an email from Kathlean Danes, President, stating they had chosen our school. They set aside a certain amount of income from each event to offer as a donation to a school. They said that since I had reached out, they chose us. They offered \$3,000 to the Drama Club and \$2,000 to the Art Department. We are to let them know by May 1st how the money will be used.”

- Mrs DeAnn Thatcher - Drama Club Advisor

### **Enrollment- 1-5-26**

<b>Freshman- 91</b>	<b>93.6%</b>
<b>Sophomores- 98</b>	<b>93.82%</b>
<b>Juniors- 93</b>	<b>88.1%</b>
<b>Seniors- 102</b>	<b>90.8%</b>
<b>Total 384</b>	<b>91.6%</b>



### **Past Events**

December 3rd- Greenhand Rendezvous, Creed, Quizbow, Conduct of Meeting

December 4th- Winter Music Concert- Auditorium

December 5th- FFA Gift of Green

December 5th- PBIS Day 2 Training

December 5th- Student Support/Enrichment Staff Inservice

December 8th- FFA Christmas Party

December 17th/18th- HHS Semester Tests

December 19th-January 2nd- Winter Break!

## **Upcoming Events**

January 5th- Start of 2nd Semester  
January 7th- 2025 Football Awards Banquet  
January 12th- FFA Chapter Meeting  
January 12th- BPA Regionals  
January 19th- MLK Day! No School  
January 21st- State Degree Sifting  
January 26-27- Gem State Leadership  
January 26th- FFA Day on Hill