

Administration Reports

June 2014

Focus for May – End of Year Activities & Celebrations

AC Houghton Elementary

Benchmark Scores Celebrations

A.C. Houghton third graders did a great job meeting their Benchmarks. 71% met in reading and 64% met in Math. Two students grew 15 points in reading or about three great levels.

Special 1st Grade AR Recognition Celebration

In first grade this year we set a goal for students to take AR tests. This applied mainly to our higher achieving students. Many students jumped at this opportunity. We had one student in particular who went above and beyond to achieve. He achieved 100 AR points. This is astounding for first grade. We have never had any students achieve 20 AR points for first grade, let alone 100 AR points. In addition, we had 3 who had achieved at least 35 AR points, 9 who scored at least 20 AR points, and 6 who scored at least 15 AR points. We had a total of 67 students attempting to take AR tests and achieving some points. This shows that our students have a great drive to improve their reading on an independent level.

AR Recognition Celebration

2013-14 EOY AR Reading Awards

2nd and 3rd grade students who exceeded their AR goals by doubling and tripling their point requirements will be recognized and awarded with a trophy.

Top 4 readers in the 1st grade class will be also recognized and awarded trophies by Brenda Kittelson.

1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students Results:

1st Total points 1038.4

2nd Total points 2597.0

3rd Total points 1531.0

ELL Achievement Celebration

The English Language Development (ELD) program at A.C. Houghton is composed of 89 students from kindergarten through third grade. We have 25 kindergarteners, 19 first graders, 30 second graders, and 16 third graders. Students received 30 minute blocks of English Language Development every day outside of their core curriculum. The school has been working hard of incorporating 30 minutes ELD in the schedule with less disruption for students' learning and teaching. We also implement faithfully the ELD curriculum (Avenues) adopted by the district. I am involved in each grade level PLC/RTI team once a month to discuss student's data with classroom teachers. Mrs. Laetitia Schreier is part of several committees at the regional, state and new ELD consortium level. During the summer, Mrs. Laetitia Schreier worked with Oregon Department of education where a group of educators review ELPA questions. She just finished a training for ELPA 21 (which includes 11 states) writer panel in Dallas, Texas where she wrote several questions for the new ELPA 21 test.

I am proud to inform you that the ELD program at A.C. Houghton is successful as shown by the ELPA results: 66% of the ELL students improved by 1 level of English proficiency, and 15% of the ELL students are exiting the ELD program because they benchmarked.

A.C. Houghton District Math Contest Results

All of our 3rd graders placed very well in their first ever district Math Contest. It is definitely a new and exciting experience for kids this age to compete in math against other students in the district. The contest is for grades 3-8, with advanced math questions. All math contestants are given 50 questions and one hour to answer. Results are based on how many correct answers were completed during that time. We are truly proud of our students' achievement, and also of how well they behaved in Heppner during the event this year!

- 6th Place: Braden Atkins
- 7th Place: Kellen Joyce (tie)
- 7th Place: Cyrus Piel (tie)
- 8th Place: Caren Cardenas (tie)
- 8th Place: Brianna Brown (tie)

A.C. Houghton District Spelling Contest Winners

- 1st Place: Braden Atkins
- 2nd Place: Marissa Sorensen
- 3rd Place (Tie): Arturo Carmona, Michel LeFleur, Kellen Joyce
- 4th Place (Tie): Noe Rangel, Jozen Byers
- 5th Place (Tie): Riley Ketelson, Jada Calloway, Giovanni Santillan, Ayden Hagel, Priscilla Chapa, Brianna Brown, Zoey Lewis, Andrew Hearn, Piper Dilley

Attendance Awards Celebration

ACH had 1 student that didn't miss a minute of school.

Volunteer Awards Celebration

I must give a special thanks to all the volunteers that help ACH achieve such high results. This includes parents and grandparents who help in the classroom. The parent club, they raised thousands of dollars to help students and teachers, and one parent who raised over \$1100 in box tops.

Heppner Elementary & Heppner High School

It is hard to believe that June has arrived and that the last days of the school year are upon us. I guess the old saying holds true, "time flies when you're having fun". Our current HHS Enrollment is 165 students and our HHS Attendance percentage as of 6/3/14 is 93.6%. Our current HES Enrollment is 175 students and our HES Attendance percentage is 96.1%. Heppner Schools recently finished the final round of OAKS testing and I am happy to report that we had very positive testing results again this year at both schools.

OAKS 2013-2014 - **HES** Results (% of students meeting or exceeding)

Reading

| Grade | HES | State of Oregon |
|-------|-----|-----------------|
| 3 | 75% | 68% |
| 4 | 91% | 74% |
| 5 | 90% | 69% |
| 6 | 96% | 66% |

Math

| Grade | HES | State of Oregon |
|-------|-----|-----------------|
| 3 | 58% | 61% |
| 4 | 91% | 65% |
| 5 | 80% | 61% |
| 6 | 91% | 59% |

Science

| Grade | HES | State of Oregon |
|-------|-----|-----------------|
| | | |

| | | |
|---|-----|-----|
| 5 | 87% | 70% |
|---|-----|-----|

OAKS 2013-2014 - **HHS** Results (% of students meeting or exceeding)

Reading

| Grade | HHS | State of Oregon |
|-------|-----|-----------------|
| HS | 97% | 76% |

Math

| Grade | HHS | State of Oregon |
|-------|-----|-----------------|
| HS | 89% | 53% |

May was full of many exciting events and field trips which took place at HES with the highlights being the AR Sage Center trip to Boardman, Tupper Outdoor School in early May for sixth grade students and the combined "Spring Musical Program" which was held on May 13th. Our sixth grade students also recently had their High School Orientation on May 29th, which was a worthwhile and eye opening experience for them. HES Field Day is on the 5th of June. The HES BBQ and Awards Assembly during the past week had great turnouts as well for these fun filled end of the year celebrations.

The End of Year Activities at Heppner High School was also many and varied.

Mustang Mop Up was a success. Thirty five separate jobs were accomplished. Fifteen community volunteers assisted in supervising these jobs. The focus on community and youth related enhancements were a popular change. We will continue evaluating how to capitalize on this day while minimizing the academic impact and exposure to risk.

The HHS "Night of Excellence" was well attended with many awards and recognition being given to our students and athletes. Of note, was the recognition of the volunteer help for the past several years provided by Kathy Dickenson, who received a standing ovation from all in attendance.

All 25 of our HHS seniors graduated on May 31st. In addition to the Scholarships, Grants, and Tuition-Waivers awarded to the HHS Class of 2014 in the amount of **\$207,000.00** they also earned **235 College/CTE credits**.

I would like to end this month's report by again thanking each of you for your support of our schools. Have a great summer!

Irrigon Elementary School

Field Trips

Each grade level has had the opportunity to go on an end-of-the-year field trip as a way to extend learning outside of the classroom, as well as celebrate the year coming to a close. The 4th grade went to the Maryhill Museum where they experienced an art exhibit and were able to create art using the same media as the exhibit. Fifth graders had the opportunity to go to the Sage Center where they had a tour and presentation related to the "World of Water" and Tillamook Cheese. At the beginning of May, our 6th grade students had the privilege to go on an overnight field trip for two nights at Hancock Field Station near Fossil, Oregon where OMSI put on an outdoor school where topics such as Rocks/Minerals, Hiking, Survival, Rock Climbing were explored by 50 students and 8 adults. It was an amazing experience for all involved.



4th Grade ~ Maryhill



5th Grade ~ Sage Center



6th Grade ~ Hancock Field Station

Celebrations

Our end of the year awards celebration included a combined awards ceremony and choir and band spring concert last week. Awards were given for meeting and exceeding benchmarks in OAKS, students of the month, students of the year, students with the most AR points, and Art board awards.

On Tuesday, June 2nd we held our Writing Olympics. Opening Ceremonies for our Writing Olympics was held at the beginning of April and kicked off the final window for writing work samples where we celebrated the 6 traits of writing in an Olympic-style presentation to the students. Students then set out to create their best writing sample to be scored. Once scored, students received gold, silver, or bronze medals if they met benchmarks on those work samples.

June 5th marks our last day of school, where we will celebrate the year with an afternoon of games and activities to give students a set of good memories to begin the summer. We have planned both Minute-to-Win-it games and PE contests to finish out the school year.

Irrigon Jr/Sr High School

GRADUATION

On Friday May 30th, we graduated 50 seniors which is our biggest class to date. Karen Gonzalez was recognized as our salutatorian with a 3.981 g.p.a., while Bowen Byers and Jordan Connell were co-pledgeoticians this year with a perfect 4.0. Jordan was also the recipient of the Gates Millennium Scholarship making her the fourth student in five years to have earned this prestigious scholarship. We also had eight other seniors receive at over \$20,000 each. There were also a large number of graduates enlisting in the military this year with three students going in to the Army, one in the Navy, and four into the National Guard. Between the scholarships, grants, GI Bills, etc., the class of 2014 received \$1,610,406. Our graduates also managed to earn over 430 college credits while in high school.

ATHLETICS

The state track meet was held this year at the U of O on May 19th and 20th. Senior Caitlin Hearn was our only state qualifier this year and took fifth in the shot-put.

END OF YEAR AWARDS

On Friday May 9th, we hosted our annual FFA banquet. The 2014-15 officers were also sworn into office that night. Next year's officers are President Johnny Roberts, Vice President Jennifer Shimer (RHS), Treasurer Abel Rodelo (RHS), Secretary Destiny Holz, Reporter Kayla Gilman, Sentinel Edith Valesco (RHS), and Historian Lily Mills. We also recognized over twenty members throughout the evening for their outstanding efforts with our Ag program.

On the afternoon of Thursday May 22nd, we hosted our "My Story" project. During this annual event for our eighth grade students, we invite parents in to view and discuss with their students work. It's a great opportunity to discuss their future – what they aspire to be and how to best get them there. We continue to have almost a

hundred parents and family members attend. That same evening, we hosted our fourth annual Knight of Excellence (KOE) banquet where we provided a nice dinner for over two hundred people while we honored the best of the best academically and athletically. Each staff member selected a few students who they felt were above and beyond their classmates. I would like to thank all of the staff, especially the office staff, for all of their hard work in making this event happen. A special thanks as well to the middle school students who helped as well – we couldn't have done it without your help!

During the last week of school, we will also be taking a few minutes to recognize students who have achieved passing scores on their OAKS testing by awarding a white wrist band to students who met their reading benchmark, a black wrist band to those who met their writing benchmark, a silver wrist band to those who met the math benchmark, and the highly sought after black/silver/white camouflage patterned wrist band to those who have met all three.

Riverside High School

End of Year Celebrations:

Day of Excellence – Students were recognized in the following areas:

- Perfect Attendance 1 year to 4 years.
- Academics – 3.5 GPA
- Valedictorian
- Salutatorian
- Principal's award
- Science Award
- History Award
- L.A. Award
- Math Award
- Art Award
- Music Award

Pirate Pride- Fly up Assembly - Whole School:

-Pirate Pride incentives recognize students for good academics, behavior, and citizenship.

-students are given passes to turn into the office for a small candy and go into a monthly drawing for Pirate Pride shirts and an end of year drawing for a larger prize.

Graduation

We graduated 62 students (our entire senior class that started the year also finished the year). In addition we had two seniors from last year return to finish up their credit requirements.

Our students earned approximately \$440, 000 in scholarships and grants in addition to our seniors earning 340 college credits between Eastern Promise and Dual Credit.

Jr Senior Awards Trip

This year, our Jr's and Sr's earned a reward trip to the Get Air trampoline park and to Columbia Park for a picnic. Students were afforded this opportunity by making the criteria:

- Good Academic Standing / on track for graduation
- Good Attendance
- No Discipline

Jr High Awards Trip

This year our 8th grade students spent the day at OMSI touring the museum, participating in labs, and watching a movie. Our 7th grade class toured 3 Mile Farm and Dairy and watched a movie at the Sage Center.

- Good Academic Standing

- Good Attendance
- No Discipline

Quarterly: We recognize a boy and girl from each grade as our “Pirate of the Quarter” as well as a classified and licensed staff member.

Overall, we have had an excellent end of year. We have a number of students attending summer school both in High school and Jr High school. We are offering support in Math, Reading/Writing and this year will be introducing robotics. High school students are given opportunities for credit retrieval.

Sam Boardman Elementary School

Our students have worked hard this year, and we’ve used our fundraising efforts along with support from our PTO to provide a set of experiences designed to recognize the hard work our students have put in this year.

Our PTO’s biggest fundraiser, Carnival, earned approximately \$3100 with the help of \$1900 worth of donations and sponsorships from local businesses. This year’s Carnival was an amazing success, with loads of new prizes and games. SBE students and their families came in and had a great evening.



We’ve already concluded our last Student of the Month Assembly. During the assembly, the names of students who met their reading goals all four quarters were placed in a hat and drawn. 1 student from each grade level who was drawn earned a Bicycle and helmet donated by the Umatilla Masonic Lodge through their Bicycles for Books program. Needless to say, we had 4 very happy and excited students!



We were also able to take our second grade class to the Portland Zoo. Our teachers worked hard to coordinate a memorable learning experience for our students and many of their parents.



Normally, students who met their 4th quarter AR goal get to have a movie party. This year, the SAGE Center here is Boardman was able to host those movie parties for our students. Students who met their reading goal got to have an afternoon at the movies! Students who met their AR goals for the year also got to go roller-skating – a longstanding tradition here at SBE.

Students have also been “cashing in” on smaller rewards that they’ve earned by demonstrating good character through hard work, safe, respectful and responsible behavior. One of the big prizes can be earned by turning in 30 Buccaneers (our “caught ya’ being good”) cards: The Principal’s Chair for a Day! It’s a coveted award, and it’s awesome to see our kids swimming in such a big, comfy chair!



Windy River Elementary

End of Year Celebrations and Activities

For the end of the year here are some of the activities here at Windy River Elementary School:

1. Fifth Grade Fossil Bed Fieldtrip: Every year the 5th grade has a two day field trip to the fossil beds in Fossil. Students who had no suspensions and all passing grades were able to go.
2. Fourth Grade students: The fourth grade finished off with going to 3 field trips. They visited Mary Hill Museum, Whitman Mission, and the Sage Center. Students who had all their work done in classes were able to go. Students not done with classwork had to stay and work.
3. The sixth grade at Windy River went to Oaks Park Amusement Park in Portland. Then they had a college visit at Mt. Hood Community College. Students with suspensions or referrals in the last quarter and or who were failing classes were not able to attend.
4. For the last day of school, Fun Day, we had a day of activities for students of fun games and events.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Financial Highlights

There have been no significant changes or highlights to the district financials.

Future Financial Planning

The budget has been approved and now the last step is adoption – which we are anticipating taking place June 9th.

Financial Issues and Concerns

No issues to report on at this time.

Other

The district has selected Infodynamic's Intact software as our archiving solution. We plan to have the software installed prior to the end of the year and have individuals using the system by July. We will evaluate our ability to complete the scanning process and determine if we need to outsource some or all of the scanning.

The district will be evaluating online payment software for ASB and Athletic payments. We are in hopes to have the system implemented at two pilot schools by August to be ready for next school year. We will then plan to fully implement all schools by year –end (December).

Maintenance

We are working with the Energy Trust of Oregon to complete studies in Irrigon and Boardman – the focus will be energy conservation. We anticipate these projects will be completed within the month of May and hopefully will have preliminary information to guide our projects in 2014-15.

HVAC controls have become even more relevant, as the Riverside High's Control panel no longer works and the quote for replacement was \$10,000. The building's front half will be without air conditioning until the new control system has been selected. We are anticipating the RFP process and implementation will be completed by the end of September 2014.

We are still investigating what keyless entry system will best fit our needs within MCSD. We are looking at integrated systems that offer keyless entry, visual monitoring of entries, and buzzer systems.

We have purchased a mower for Irrigon and a tractor for Heppner. The plan will be to surplus items next fall that are no longer in use by the district.

We have also moved forward with purchasing a preventative maintenance and work order system. We are hoping to have a final inventory of equipment in place by the end of June and preventative maintenance checklists completed for fall 2014.

The abatement is completed at the Lexington building and all air samples were clean. There were issues with the floor tile being under many of the walls (were additions took place over the years), thus, there was some additional demolition that needed to be completed. We will start the process of advertising the property to see if there is any interest in someone purchasing.

Injury Reports

Continue to work with a few employees with ongoing claims.

IHS - none

ACH - none

IES - none

RHS - none

SBE – none

WRE – issue should be resolved prior to June.

HHS - none

HES - none