

Administration Reports June 13, 2022

Sam Boardman Elementary



The 2021-2022 school year at Sam Boardman Elementary has been one we will not soon forget. As educators we learned together we can do hard things—and we do better when we work together. This year came to us with Covid protocols, masks and restrictions then too many changes throughout the entire year, leaving us all longing for a more normal schedule. It was a difficult journey, but I am happy to report the end of the school year included many activities that we have greatly missed the past couple of years!

The end of the year activities were the highlights of our 2021-2022 school year and include:

- Our final **Steam Day** on April 29th...these days are easily deemed as the 'best days ever' with hands on activities and excited teachers and students to roll up their sleeves to create, build, mix, test, paint, etc.
- **Spring Concert** on May 26th that filled our SBE gym. Our risers were full of students for this evening event and our parents had the biggest smiles and happiest hearts to bring their dressed-up students to sing for an in-person crowd! It seemed like the entire town was at SBE. We had a book give away for any child that attended the concert.
- **ELPA** scores reported that ELL students grew in their language proficiency and we proudly **graduated seven students** this school year!
- The **RHS graduating class came to parade** through our school in their graduation regalia to show students what they are working toward accomplishing!
- We celebrated many accomplishments during our **End of the Year ALL-SCHOOL Assembly**. This is the first assembly we have had since 2019. We watched a slide show highlight of the school year. We were able to recognize 190 students with 90% or better attendance. The Boardman Chamber of Commerce awarded one student from each grade level a "*Star Student of the Year*" award as nominated by SBE staff. Those students were given a bike, and bike helmet, for their academic and personal growth. The Chamber also surprised our student from 2nd grade that had perfect attendance for the entire school year with a bike and helmet also! He told the crowd he needed to thank his mom.
- We will have a **Safety Rodeo/Field Day, plus BBQ**, on June 10th. This is our last day together and we want to send the students off with safety in mind to have a wonderful summer vacation! We appreciate all the EMS agencies that will come educate our students this Thursday.

This year has been an adventure that helped us all appreciate the things we should never take for granted. I applaud all of the staff at SBE for doing amazing things for students and families. I would like to thank Superintendent Dirksen for his years of service to MCSD. I also thank each member of our MCSD school board for getting us through this difficult time in education. We still have challenges to face, but I am grateful I am facing them with my Morrow County School District family!

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Elementary

The school year of 2021-2022 is quickly closing upon us. It has been a tremendous school year coming back from COVID. We have many highlights with strong attendance during our school year as well as STEAM days. The staff created many different learning opportunities for students that were both beneficial and fun for them.

We have put systems in place to be more academically sound and consistent within the grade levels and vertically aligned within our building. Our focus is to try to have all students grow at least a year. In reality we want to be on grade level or surpass grade level. We have done this with many students by having productive weekly data meetings and specific time built in to focus on the whole child for students.

To finish the school year, we are holding a Multi-Cultural day/night this week. Classrooms have been working on different cultures and creating some neat projects to showcase from 1PM-6PM on June 8th. Parents have been invited to come and look at projects with students. We will be having students fill out a passport where they will learn about each country as well. Fun learning experience for all. We paired this with a book fair this school year and had the kickoff with a guardian breakfast on Monday. We had close to 100 families participate with the breakfast.

The last day of school will be filled with awards and an afternoon of fun. We will have an awards assembly where we will honor students that have made a year of growth in reading/math, passed their OSAS in math/reading, earned a wolf pack leader award, an attendance, etc. There is lots to showoff for our students and we are pleased to do this. We will wrap up the day with a field day where we will have bouncy houses, water stations, and a dunk tank.

Overall, it has been a very fun school year and we are appreciative of the support by all and are looking forward to more success in the future with students.

Riverside Jr/Sr High School

The end of the school year is always filled with activities, especially events where we are celebrating our seniors. During the last week of May we had a Decision Day Assembly, End of Year Scholarship Assembly, and the Senior Picnic.

Decision Day is an event that we have held for 4 years at Riverside. At this assembly students sign a letter of intent for their post high school plans. We bring in representatives from colleges, military and the workforce to present the certificates to students and then they sign them. For the first time we were able to have all high school students attend this assembly to see what the graduating seniors are choosing to do after high school. Below is a picture from Decision Day.



Also during the seniors last week we celebrated them during the End of Year Scholarship Assembly. The class of 2022 earned a combined total of over \$1.2 Million dollars in scholarships. On the last day of school Riverside will be holding a field day for all 7th-11th graders to end the year with some fun for them. The staff have planned multiple fun activities for students and we will spend the last 2 hours of the day having fun with students at field day before we officially end the school year.

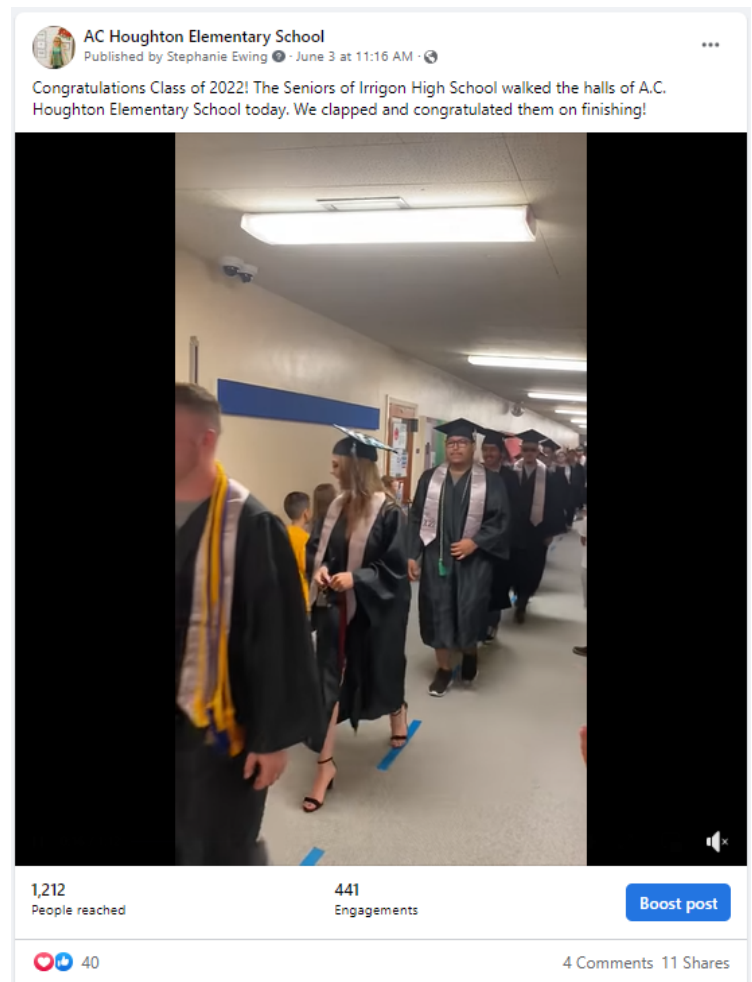
AC Houghton Elementary

As the 2021-22 school year comes to an end, I want to take a moment to say thank you to the school board, staff, parents and students. We have been so lucky this year to have our students all year, full-time. The growth in both academic skills and social/behavior skills has been incredible. On June 8th, ACH will hold an end-of-year Awards Assembly. We will recognize growth in reading, math and outstanding attendance. On June 9th, the Irrigon Fire Department will help us with our annual slip-n-slide for 3rd grade students.

Students have completed the End of Year iReady Diagnostic Assessment and the growth in the area of phonemic awareness was very encouraging. Communication with families has remained strong through a monthly newsletter, social media and keeping our website up to date. On June 3rd, the graduating seniors from Irrigon High School walked the halls of ACH. Our students were so excited to see the graduates. As you can see in the Facebook post, the video was watched over 1,200 times.

We are planning our summer school for the month of August. This will be a jump start into the new school year. Students will practice their reading and math skills as well as learning how to work together and play well with others.

ACH is still in the hiring process for 2 teaching positions. That will hopefully be wrapped up by the end of June. Thank you for another incredible year!

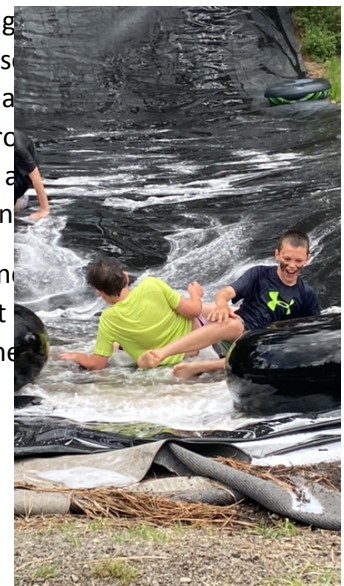


Irrigon Elementary School



Over the last month we have been working on wrapping up the school year. We have completed our OSAS State assessment, our I-ready assessment and other classroom-based assessments. Our 6th grade students went to Camp Elkanah for outdoor sports and a few other fun activities on campus that we have completed was creating ovens for a hotdog roast, making paper mache volcanos and having Joel Riley, a professional from SkyWest, come to present to our students.

The students took the schoolwide testing with a very serious and worked hard to complete their assessments. We have seen a significant amount of growth in both math and ELA. I'm very proud of my students and staff on how hard they worked this school year with their academics.

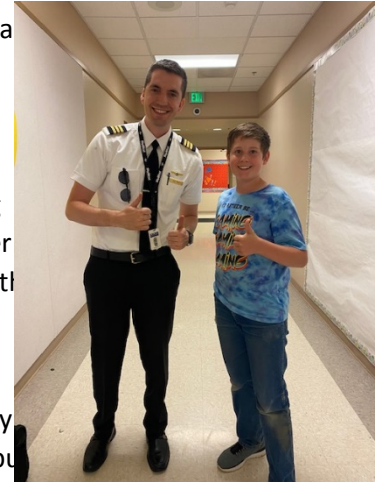


Last week we completed 3 days at Camp Elkanah with our 6th grade students. The camp experience was a wonderful blend of learning stations and activities. Our students learned about weather, survival skills, and crated fishing spinners. On the last day of camp, the students had the opportunity to climb the rock wall, zip line and go down the giant slip-n-slide. Our students and staff had a wonderful time.



Lastly, this week at IES we will be launching rockets, baking hotdogs and smores out of ovens each of the students made. They are also finishing up with sewing their keepsake pillows. We also have a guest presenter who is a pilot for SkyWest Airlines presenting how math and being a pilot correlate.

IES has had a successful year with academic growth, student social emotional growth and as a school family I look forward to having June and July to prepare my bu school year.



We made it! June has arrived and the seniors have graduated. Here at Irrigon Jr/Sr High School we saw 48 students walk across the stage on Saturday. On Monday, we had 3 more seniors complete their remaining requirements and receive their diplomas, for a total of 48 seniors and 3 juniors. Currently we have only 2 seniors that have remaining work to complete, with 1 of them almost done with all their requirements. We hope to have them both completed by the end of June, for 100% completion! This year graduates amassed over \$500,000 in grants and scholarships, which includes up to \$2500 for every student that graduated from Irrigon this year as part of our Oregon Gear-Up scholarship fund, which has been supporting our graduates every year for the past 7 years. What is not included in that amount is the Oregon Promise grant, which can be used towards the costs of attending any Oregon community college, which we had a number of students qualify for. Our graduating class was honored to present 2 valedictorian awards medals this year to Jacob Ayala and Ashley Renteria, both of which graduated with a perfect 4.0 GPA and an Honors Diploma. Jacob also was a recipient of the Ford Family Foundation scholarship, while Ashley was awarded the Presidential Scholarship Award from the University of Portland.

We are also finally able to move all of our teachers back into the building for the final week of the school year, as the restoration progress from the fire in our building has continued. A very welcome event according to the teachers and students! In this final week, we have a Junior High activity day planned by our CARE Coordinator and our CCS counselor, focused on team building and positive attitude activities for our 7th and 8th grade students to participate in.

Our ASB elections for next year were held last week and 14 members were elected to serve as ASB Leadership members, in one of our largest turnouts of applicants in recent years. We are very excited for Senior Alan Murgia-Ortega, who was elected as Senior Class President, and the rest of the members to continue the great work of the past and current ASB Leadership classes.

I would also like to take the time to thank the Morrow County School District, the school board, Mr. Dirk Dirksen, and the rest of the Morrow County School District staff for the last 7 years. It was an honor to serve as the principal of Irrigon Jr/Sr High School. I wish the district, staff, students, and communities the best of luck moving forward. I know that the district will be in capable hands with Mr. Matt Combe as superintendent, and Irrigon Jr/Sr High School with Mrs. Rose Palmer as principal. Thank you again!

Go Knights!

Heppner Elementary

HES wrapped up the year with a bang. After holding a deposit through our last two years The Spirit of Portland sternwheeler was finally able to host HES students and staff. We had a great trip on June 7, 2022 with 170 students as well as our staff and a good number of parent volunteers. It is so great to be back to some normal things.

This wasn't the only field trip taken this spring by Heppner Elementary. Each class was able to ad a field trip with a STEAM focus thanks to the Wheatridge funds. Some of the places we visited are the Pendleton Fire Station, Tamastlikt, McNary Dam and fish ladder, The Children's Art Museum, The Portland Art Museum for an Egypt exhibit and more. Mrs. Gibbs continued the annual field trip to the John Day Fossil Beds and of course out 6th grade was able to attend Tupper Outdoor School. Speaking of Mrs. Gibbs, she was recognized as the Outstanding Citizen Educator at the Heppner Town and Country banquet.

We finish this week with our Field Day on Wednesday and the last day BBQ lunch on Thursday. The year always seems to go by way to fast in the spring and we're excited to head into our summer vacation. We hope that all of our 185 students currently enrolled, or at least those that didn't move to Jr. High, are able to enjoy a great summer. We look to welcome 79+ students who have registered for summer school in August. This number includes 19 of the 25 kinder students who attended Kindergarten Roundup or pre-registered, which is a great number for HES at this time of year. As always thank you for the wonderful support you give our students and staff. Have a great summer.

Heppner Jr/Sr High School

It is hard to believe that June has arrived and that another school year is almost over. I guess the old saying is true, "time flies when you're having fun"!

Our Heppner High School Graduation ceremony was held on Saturday, June 4th, 2022, and was a huge success! This year we had 33 out of 33 Heppner High graduates who completed all of their graduation requirements by their last senior day and participated in the graduation ceremony!

Other Noteworthy "End of Year Activities" at Heppner Jr/Sr High School included:

- * Our spring sports teams ALL had successful seasons!
- * The Drama students performed "Gravity Falls" this spring and did a great job with their performances!
- * The HHS "Night of Excellence" and "Daytime Awards" Ceremonies were held in-person this year with many awards and recognition being given to our HJSHS students and student athletes.
- * "Mustang Mop Up" will be held on Wednesday the 8th of June this year and our students and staff are looking forward to giving back to our community through civic/service related learning projects!
- * The 8th grade celebration will also be held on Wednesday the 8th of June at the Gilliam-Bisbee building starting at 6pm.

I would like to end this month's report by once again thanking each of you for your support of our Morrow County Schools and Students!

MCSD – Maintenance & Facilities Update – May 2022

Our Custodial and Grounds Staff will be very busy this summer with inspections, projects, cleaning, and painting to get our buildings ready to welcome staff and students in August!

For the 2022-2023 school year, we would like to highlight a few projects that have been approved:

- Repair or Replace 2 Exterior Doors at HES
- Replace the Carpet in the Upper Hallway at HJSH
- Purchase Cleaning Equipment at ACH, IJSH, WRE and RJSH
- Replace Intercom System at IES
- Paint the Exterior Building at MEC
- Replace Classroom Carpet at SBE and RJSH

Final proposals for the HVAC Projects covered by ESSER II and III funds will be available in Mid-June. WTI and McKinstry are not going to meet all of the deadlines due to contractor schedules and equipment delivery timelines. They are projecting that office area upgrades will be complete this summer. The controls work will be scheduled when the electrical contractors are available and may be done during the school year when possible. The remaining equipment projects will be completed the summer of 2023. WTI and McKinstry are aware of the two ESSER fund deadlines of September 2023 and September 2024.

Heppner Jr Sr High: Controls Hardware Upgrade, Gym AHU Replacement, Multipurpose AHU Replacement

AC Houghton: Controls Hardware Upgrade

Irrigon Jr Sr High: Controls Hardware Upgrade, Office HVAC Upgrade, and Cafeteria AHU Replacement

Riverside Jr Sr High: Controls Hardware Upgrade, Decouple HVAC in Office & Commons and Replace Controller on the AHU-4

Sam Boardman Elementary: Controls Hardware Upgrade and Replace Office Area HVAC

We want to once again take time to thank the Board, Administration, Staff and our Community Advisory Team for all of the support and hard work on the Bond. We are disappointed that it failed, but will continue to provide the safest, most efficient learning environments for MCS D that we can.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Matt Combe & Brandi Sweeney

Staff Incident/Accidents Report:

Date	School	Incident
5/12/2022	ACH	Employee tripped over student and fell backward hitting elbow, neck and head. Went to doctor, 801 form was filed.
5/11/2022	SBE	Employee hit head on play structure. No medical attention sought.
5/5/2022	IJSHS	Employee was bit by a student while trying to shield another student. No medical attention sought.