



Manzanita Elementary



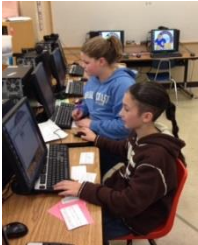
Third Trimester Board Report

2013-2014

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Third Trimester was full of engaging activities that challenged student's minds and provided an opportunity to grow together as a school community. Students and families are proud to be a Manzanita Mountain Lion. The following are some highlights and updates on happenings during the past trimester. Enjoy! ☺

OAKS and Smarter Balance ~ Manzanita students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade completed their OAKS statewide assessment in May. Manzanita had 100% of our students participate in this testing and many of them met or exceeded with passing scores. Our 4th and 5th grade students took the pilot test for Smarter Balance assessment. This was a learning experience for everyone, including the teachers. We learned that all students need additional time in the computer lab to increase technical skills such as word processing, drawing using a mouse, manipulating multiple screens, etc. We have our work cut out for us next year!!



Farm to Market ~ Manzanita Elementary was the only Three Rivers School to participate in this amazing program! Organizations from the surrounding community and throughout the state came to our school and educated students on how food gets to their table. The Oregon Dairy Princess taught students about dairy cows, Oregon Ag helped them learn the various types of grains, and local farmers brought animals for them to pet and hold. The event concluded with an "A – Z Salad Bar" with 26 fruits and vegetables for each student to try. Everyone had a great time learning about food and how to eat healthy.



Destination Imagination ~ The Manzanita Destination Imagination team earned a trip to Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. This is a distinguished honor as very few teams earn the privilege to attend. The team competed against others from around the United States as well as China, Japan, Sweden, and many other countries. The team placed 32/79 teams from around the world. Congratulations to team members Jacob Hulst, Elia Whyte, Kyra Mobley, Austin Champion, Lilianna Gutierrez and teacher Lori Chamberlain.



Earth Day Trashion Show ~ On April 25th, students and staff at Manzanita celebrated Earth Day by wearing clothes made from trash or recycled materials! The 2nd Annual Trashion Show displayed this creative clothing line, as well as provided students an opportunity to show off their creative robots they made from recycled materials. Mrs. Durrant (a.k.a. Dutch Princess) made her outfit from Dutch Bros. cups, lids, and straws. Everyone had fun and realized how much we can recycle and use again. **Reduce – Reuse - Recycle**



Perfect Attendance ~ Eleven students earned PERFECT ATTENDANCE for the entire school year. This means they were never tardy, never left early, and never missed a day of school all year! We celebrated this huge accomplishment by walking over to the Dutch Bros Headquarters. Students got a tour of the roasting facility and clothing warehouse. They had a great time celebrating their hard work all year long. ☺



Thank you again for your support and enthusiasm for education. You are always welcome to attend one of our events, or even just come have lunch with us! We look forward to the new adventures and challenges next year will bring.