# APPLEGATE SCHOOL THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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TO: Three Rivers School District Board of Directors

FROM: Applegate School/Renee Hults, Principal

**RE:** First Trimester Board Reports

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## **ENROLLMENT** Total 119 Students

# **Elementary:**

K-1 Classroom 19 Students (11 Kindergarten, 8 1<sup>st</sup> graders) 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Classroom 26 Students (10 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, 16 3<sup>rd</sup> graders) 4<sup>th</sup> & 5th Grade Classroom 20 students (9 4<sup>th</sup> graders, 11 5<sup>th</sup> graders)

## Middle School:

6/7<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom: 26 Students 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom: 28 Students 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- 16 students 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – 20 students 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – 18 students

# **NEW STAFF MEMBERS**

In addition to a new principal, Applegate School is thrilled to welcome three additional family members!

Justin Montano teaching our 6/7 grade classroom, Melisa Smock an Educational Assistant, and Darrin Bossingham our Head Custodian.

## **Brick School House:**

In September we were able to add life back into the old brick school house. Our K-1 and 2-3 Classrooms moved into their new home. Many people worked hard to get the building to a point the teachers could move in.

The teachers are doing a fabulous job working around the work crews as finish carpentry continues to be done and technology is installed. The bathrooms are nearing completion and downstairs will soon be ready for our Child Development Specialists office, and our Family Advocate office. There is still work to be done however the end is in sight.

We have had many community members stop by to see students in the building and hearing them express joy that we have given it life again confirms our efforts!

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### **OPEN HOUSE**

Open House was held September 19<sup>th</sup>. Parents were able to come and visit their student's classrooms and meet their teachers. Afterwards we enjoyed and ice cream social where parents could visit with each other and staff members.

#### STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Teachers had the opportunity to go to Fruitdale and Hidden Valley to explore the new Common Core Curriculum standards and best practices in teaching. Classified staff had the chance to work on their online safe schools tests, complete paperwork, work on unfinished business and attend academic trainings. The Applegate staff embraced this opportunity to learn, collaborate and grow as educators.

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Through the 21 Century Grant Applegate school is able to offer Homework Club and Art After School to our students. We began our programs the week of October 8<sup>th</sup>. Students in grades 4 – 8 are able to stay after school and work on their unfinished school work and receive additional academic support. This has been a great program for our athletes, and students who have busy lives after school. The Art After School is for our 4/5 grades and they work on drawing or painting outdoor scenes, animals, insects and they even try a few portraits. Linda Kappen and Colleen Davidson do a wonderful job with these students and the kids can't wait to come back each year and participate.

## **CONFERENCES**

We had a great turnout for conferences this year. Our percentage of parent participation was near 100% for most classrooms. Applegate teachers did a wonderful job setting up their schedules so that each parent could come in and discuss their students' success and challenges. This is a valuable mid trimester process in developing a plan in coordination with families to build success for each student.

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Our boys' basketball team has their first game November 8<sup>th</sup>. We are proud to announce that our participation is up and we have enough boys playing this year so we will be able to have 2 teams. Our new coach Ryan Dolan is doing a wonderful job and we can't wait to watch our boys show off their skills. Their schedule will be posted on our web page for all to see.

#### **PTSG**

Our PTSG is off to an amazing start and we are blessed to have a few fabulous volunteers that work hard to make great things happen for our school. PTSG will be hosting our annual Harvest Festival, Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in our gym. There will be tons of food, games and fun for all. We would like to extend an invitation to our TRSD community! Please come join us for a fun filled evening!

## **SMART**

We have an amazing SMART program. Seana Hodge, a parent volunteer, is running our SMART program this year. This program allows students in grades K – 3 an opportunity to read to a volunteer every Tuesday. This program helps to make reading fun for the students and it is very rewarding for our many volunteers.

## **HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

Applegate School's Holiday program will be December 18<sup>th</sup>. You are invited to come watch our K – 8 grades participate in "Twas A Night Before Christmas". The teachers along with the help of Michelle Stone will be rehearsing with students to help put on a wonderful program. Oh yeah let's not forget Santa will be visiting too!!!!!