

# Memo

**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Matt Holtry, Principal  
**CC:** R. Sauer, Superintendent  
**Date:** 11/8/2016  
**Re:** Principal Report November, 2016

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Homedale Board of Trustees,

The Holiday season is quickly approaching. Winter activities are getting ready to start up and Thanks giving break is week and a half away. Time seems to be flying by and the HS staff is working hard at providing the best education Idaho has to offer. Red Ribbon week was a great success. Mrs. Flaming helped organize a wonderful week of activities during advisory time that focused on having personal goals, having mentors in your life, being a part of something/group and staying away from drugs. The entire staff did a great job of helping organize the activities and the students had a great time.

\*The middle school band's grant request was accepted for the Whittenberger Foundation Grant. We'll get \$3,000 to repair school-owned instruments and purchase new mouthpieces.

## **Student Enrollment-**

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade-	Male 45	Female 55
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade-	Male 48	Female 50
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade-	Male 42	Female 48
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade-	Male 34	Female 32

Total- Male 172 Female 184

Total Students- 354

## **Updates/Highlights from last month-**

October 18th-22nd- FFA National Convention Indianapolis IN

Devin Fisher won an all expense trip to Ireland for a week next summer. The Floriculture team placed silver, 17th in the nation. Madi Fisher was a gold emblem individual, and Jenna Rupp a silver individual. Our National Chapter application was recognized as a three star chapter, the highest award given, and only two Idaho schools earning such a high level. Riley Haun served as the chairman of that committee. She also carried the Idaho Flag in the Grand March and in the Parade of States in the second session. Jenny Bautista was a delegate on the Alumni Relations committee as part of her state officer duties.

October 20th- Not So Silent Movie- HHS Choir/Jazz Band (Old Gym)

Mr. Z put on a great performance! Here are a couple of the reviews by staff.....

Mr. Olsen – “A big shout out to Mr. Zieske and his talented performers!!! The performances were wonderful and the concept very unique! I smiled and laughed enough for my jaws to hurt”

Mrs. Emery- “I totally agree with Mr. Olsen. The performance was delightful. The students were awesome. I was very impressed with Mr. Zieske's musical selections and how they went with the movie. It is great to have such a musically talented person working with our kids.”

October 31<sup>st</sup>-November 5<sup>th</sup>- College Application Week. Seniors had the opportunity to fill out up to 3 college applications during their government classes.

### **Looking Ahead this month....**

November 10th- FFA Harvest Auction

November 10th- Senior Retakes/Club Pics

November 11th- Staff In-service/AVID Training

November 14th- Parent Teacher Conferences

November 14th- FAFSA Support Night for Seniors/Parents

November 21st-25th- Thanksgiving Break!

December 5th HS Staff PD

### **Fall Map Testing Results- See Attachment for detailed report**

#### Language

9<sup>th</sup> Grade- 60% at or above the norm 40% below

10<sup>th</sup> Grade- 70% at or above the norm 30% below

#### Reading

9<sup>th</sup> Grade- 45% at or above the norm 55% below

10<sup>th</sup> Grade- 53% at or above the norm 47% below

#### Math

9<sup>th</sup> Grade- 41% at or above the norm 59% below

10<sup>th</sup> Grade- 52% at or above the norm 48% below