

Homedale Elementary School Memo

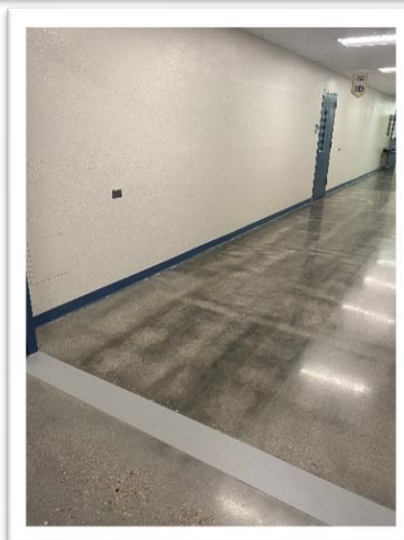


To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Tate B. Castleton, Principal
Date: October 5, 2021
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

CRITCHFIELD VISITS HES AND DISTRICT: Former Idaho State Board of Education president and current candidate for state superintendent Debbie Critchfield visited Homedale Elementary School to walk our building, meet teachers and students, and tour the new addition. She also met with the district's administrative team to discuss how she can help rural Idaho schools and students.



SCHOOL IS IN FULL SWING AT HES: It has been a busy couple of weeks here at the elementary! Benchmarks for ISIP testing is complete, students are producing great work, and Homecoming is in the books! We've also had the finishing touches put on the new addition (a line was painted between the existing building and the firewall to blend the flooring between the two structures).



COVID-19 UPDATE AT HES: While we have had no recent positive cases among student or staff at the elementary, we still see a high number of students absent each day due to illness or quarantine. We usually average between 30-60 absences a day, sometimes more.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- October 14 End of 1st Quarter
- October 27-28 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- November 5 Staff In-Service
- November 12 Staff In-Service (One of the 2 days we were given back)
- November 21-26 NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break