October 25, 2021

Dear Knappa Community:

Well, it is now feeling like fall with the leaves dropping, the sideways rain and the onset of some cooler temperatures. We enjoyed chatting with parents last week and hope that the dialogues were productive in support of students’ success.

***Bring your ballot to school (or the game)*.** Ballots have been with you for over a week now. Tomorrow, we will be hosting “bring your ballot to school day.” If that ballot is still sitting on your kitchen counter or on the seat of your car, this day is designed to remind you to bring it to the drop box. The ballot drop box is located along Old Highway 30 at the driveway to school. We will have special breakfast treats at the Hilda Lahti pull through as well.

As we have shared previously, this measure will address safety, maintenance, and learning needs for the schools. The tax rate per thousand will be slightly less than it was for the previous bond.

On Friday, we will host our last regular season football game against Gaston. It should be a doozie given that both teams are highly ranked in state 2a play. If you haven’t submitted your ballot, this will be a final chance before we get into the crazy fall festivities over the weekend. Again, there will be treats at the game in honor of “Bring Your Ballot to the Game Night.”

**We have jobs!** Have you ever wished youcould have the same work schedule as your students’ school schedule? Have you ever wished for a short commute? Have you felt a calling to help your community and get paid for it? We currently have several open positions in the Knappa School District that might work for you. If any of the following interest you, please call us at 503-458-5993 x301 or visit the website at www.knappa.k12.or.us.

* Bus mechanic. (must be skilled as a diesel and gasoline mechanic and be capable of getting certified as a state approved bus mechanic. Student CDL endorsement preferred.
* Program assistant. Help students with their learning needs in the classrooms and provide general student supervision on campus.

**Athletic Update.** During the Friday game against Vernonia, the “real” Loggers won 65-0. Congratulations to them. We hosted the Logger Invite last week and our men’s cross country team came in first place with runners coming in as follows: Isaiah Rodriguez (16:41), Joshua Peterson (18:54), Clay Keiser (18:56), Soren Brown (19:08), Moses Peitsch (19:42), Finn Corcoran (20:04), Ethan Smalley (20:05), Donnie VanGundy (22:36), and Josiah Dersham (27:23).

**COVID-19 Information.** As for COVID-19 cases, we have three students who have either tested positive or are quarantining right now. There are no staff members who have been tested as COVID positive, and none are quarantining at this time. The Clatsop County COVID weekly has not be released. We will include the information when it is released.

Warm regards,

Bill Fritz, Ph.D.

Superintendent

Knappa School District #4