Dear Parents & Patrons,

Here is the latest installment of the monthly newsletter for the 2023 – 2024 school year. In this letter, we will update you on current activities within the Whitepine Joint School District including athletics, clubs, academics, and other fun and interesting facts.

# **General News:**

- Title 1: Federal law requires that each Title I-A school notify families/parents of each student attending any school receiving these funds that information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher(s) may be requested. If you would like information regarding teacher and/or paraprofessional qualifications, please contact the Deary School office. Link to the Whitepine School District's Schoolwide Title Program Information Brochure: Whitepine School District Title 1 Brochure 23.pdf
- Title 1: If you are interested in being a part of our Schoolwide Title Program review team for the 2024-2025 school year, please contact Julia Proctor at jproctor@sd288.org

# **Elementary News:**

- State ISAT testing will wrap up this week.
- The Elementary students did an outstanding job of singing, and the 5th grade performed a lip sync at the Spring Concert. As always, we had a good crowd and a great time. Thanks for attending and supporting the students.
- The Deary High School IDFY (Idaho Drug Free Youth) visited the Bovill school May 10th. They helped the elementary students with Mother's Day arts and crafts, played with the Bovill kids at recess, and generally had a good time and set a great example for our elementary students.

# **Secondary News:**

- The 2024 *Mr. DHS Competition* was a massive success. Laithan Proctor, Class of 2024, was crowned as the new Mr. DHS. First Runner-up: Carl Stanton; Second Runner-up: Dallen Stapleton. All six contestants put on an amazing show and left us eager for 2025.
- The Mustang Market took place Thursday, May 9 at Deary High School and was a wonderful success. Items included greenhouse plants, metal art, woodworking, canvas art, pottery, desserts, and many other items. We were also privileged to have live music played by our very own Carl Stanton! Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents, and supportive patrons that attended!
- Graduation is just around the corner for the Class of 2024. We will host the event this Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in the Deary gymnasium. This graduating class has been offered, so far, 70 scholarships totaling \$612,225 a new Deary HS record.

## **Activities & Athletics:**

- Congratulations to our 3 athletes who competed at the State Track Meet. Laithan Proctor finished 2nd in the state in the 300m hurdles, Araya Wood finished 3rd in the state in the 300m hurdles, and Kaylee Wood finished 5th in the state in the 400m sprint. 3 athletes went down to compete, and 3 came back with a medal.
- Congratulations to our baseball and softball athletes that compete with Kendrick High School. Both teams placed 2nd in the state tournament this last weekend.
- The middle school track meet went well for our 7th and 8th graders. They competed well, and came back with a bunch of ribbons.
- Fall Sports Parent Meeting is Tuesday, May 21st @ 6 PM in the gymnasium. This meeting is to chat about the up-coming sport seasons, and meet with coaches in regard to summer training as well as the season itself.
- Deary FFA:
  - o The Forestry team is continuing practice to prepare for state CDE's in June at the U of I. They are excited to see how much they can improve from their 3rd place finish at districts in Bonners Ferry last month.
  - o Fair Registration is open now and closes August 16th and they will not allow late registrations. If you have a student taking an animal to the fair, get your registration done. The online registration can be found here: https://www.latahcountyfair.com/p/fair
  - o Swine weigh-in will be in person this year at the fairgrounds on May 30th for Deary FFA between 2 p.m. 7 p.m. This is a change from years past, but will be mandatory next year, so Deary FFA is being proactive and starting this year.
  - o Sheep and Goat weigh-in is July 8 from 4 p.m. 6 p.m. at the fairgrounds.
  - o There will be a chapter meeting for current members and students interested in FFA next year on Wednesday, May 22nd at 12:10 in the shop.

# **District News:**

• The district would like to welcome our two newest faculty members for the 2024-2025 school year. Ms. Autumn Heath will be taking up the post as the K-12 Music Teacher. Ms. Kelli Kinzer - a former Deary graduate - will be taking over as the Ag/Shop teacher and new FFA Advisor.

# **Upcoming Dates:**

- 5/21 Supplemental Levy Election
- 5/24 MS Olympics at Boulder Creek Campground
- 5/24 MS Awards Ceremony, Deary Gymnasium at 2:45

- 5/25 2024 Commencement Ceremony at 11:00
- 5/28 4th grade field trip to Spaulding for Idaho History
- 5/28 5th grade Science field trip to U of I Dairy Center and WSU bear research center
- 5/29 Elementary field day with IDFY
- 5/30 Elementary end of the year field trip
- 5/30 Finals, hours 1-4
- 5/31 Finals, hours 5-7
- 5/31 Elementary awards ceremonies
- 5/31 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! Early release at 1:30

This will be the final newsletter for the current school year. We will continue to update our website with information as needed. The website address is: <a href="www.sd288.org">www.sd288.org</a> If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Joshua Hardy & Stacy Monk

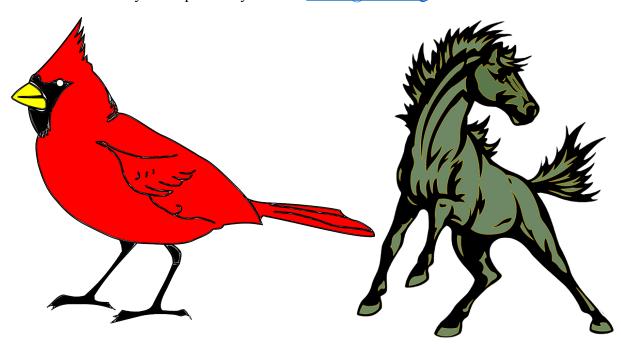
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