

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](#)
- Attendance: Parents, due to attendance issues, when you contact the school regarding a student's absence, please provide a reason for requesting they be excused from school. If you have questions, please refer to [District Policy 3050](#) for more information on attendance.
- Spring Break is Monday, March 25 through Friday, March 29. Classes will resume on Monday, April 1.
- In partnership with the Latah County Sheriff Department we will be hosting an *Internet/Social Media Education Event* on Thursday, April 18 at 6:30 at the Deary School. The event is for parents of students. Any parent is welcome to come, no matter the age of child or school they attend. Parents will walk away from the event equipped with an education about the dangers their children face on social media and the internet. It will also provide tools for parents to help keep their children safe.

Elementary News:

- Parent Teacher Conferences will be held at Bovill and Deary March 20th and 21st.
- Kindergarten/Preschool Round Up, April 22nd @ Deary Elementary School this year.
- ISAT testing begins April 23rd
- Spring Concert, Wednesday May 8th, 6:30 at the Deary Gym

Secondary News:

- Quarter 3 will end on Friday, March 22nd. Term grades will be available by the following Friday of school which is April 5th.
- The extremely popular and widely touted *Mr. DHS Competition* is scheduled for Saturday, April 27 at 7:00 pm in the Deary school gymnasium.
- The 2024 Prom will be Saturday May 4, 2024 at the Latah County FairGrounds. We will be combining this year with Genesee, Troy, and Kendrick High Schools. More information will be made available soon.

- The Mustang Market will be Thursday, May 9 at Deary High School from 2:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. MS & HS students will have for sale a wide variety of items they made in their classes. Items will include: greenhouse plants, metal art, woodworking, canvas art, and pottery. The Family Consumer Science classes will be offering dinner and a bake sale. And, to top it off, we will have live music played by our very own Carl Stanton! Come enjoy a fun time supporting Mustang students!

Activities & Athletics:

- Boys and Girls MS Basketball is coming to an end, with the MS BBALL Tournament starting next week. (March 18/19/21) Information for this is below:
 - March 18th: The #5 seed will play @ the #4 seed school. We aren't sure yet of seeding, so the site for this is TBD, depending on who the #4 & #5 are. This could or could not involve us.
 - March 19th: ALL games are played in Genesee.
 - 4:30 Girls 1 v 4/5 winner
 - 5:30 Girls 2 v 3
 - 6:30 Boys 1 v 4/5 winner
 - 7:30 Boys 2 v 3
 - March 21st: ALL games are played in Genesee.
 - 5:30 Girls Winners from March 19
 - 6:30 Boys Winner from March 19
- HS Track & Field is in full swing, with the first meet at Lewiston on March 15th. They will also have one more meet before we are off for Spring Break, and that is also at Lewiston on March 22nd.
- FFA - Six students will be attending the State Leadership Convention in Twin Falls, Idaho from April 2 - 7th. They will participate in career tours, leadership development workshops, and compete in the Livestock Judging contest. Sage Cochrane has applied to be a 2024-2025 State Officer, and we wish her the best of luck!

Upcoming Dates:

- 3/25-3/29 - Spring Break
- 4/18 - Latah County Sheriff's Office - Internet/ Social Media Education Event, 6:30
- 4/22 - No School, Preschool and Kindergarten Round-up
- 4/27 - Mr. DHS
- 5/4 - Prom
- 5/9 - Mustang Market
- 5/21 - Supplemental Levy Election

We will continue to send updated newsletters once a month, between board meetings. We will also continue to update our website with information throughout the year. The website address is: www.sd288.org If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Joshua Hardy & Stacy Monk

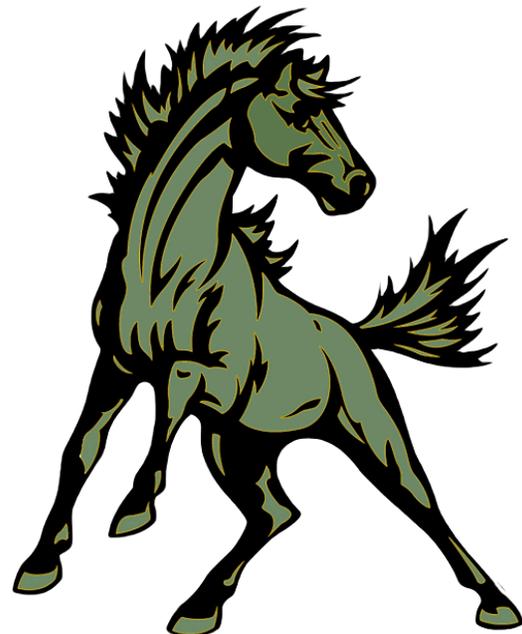
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Our Kids Are Worth Whatever It Takes!