White Salmon children receive warm clothing

Community donations help at-risk students

WHITE SALMON — Children in the White Salmon Valley School District's after-school program, A-List Adventures, received coats, sweaters and hats this fall and winter, thanks to a number of community donations.

A-List is a free after-school program which provides at-risk children with creative play and exercise, academic support and enriching curriculum. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, A-List has conducted socially-distanced programs outdoors in White Salmon neighborhoods since October, particularly necessitating the need for warm clothing.

Between October and December, Insitu, through its Coats for Kids program, donated more than 50 new and used coats to A- List students. Catherine Loke, Insitu employee, was "instrumental in organizing the coat drive," said a press release.

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Rachel Suits
Program director

Children also received sweaters from White Salmon resident Amanda Kitchings, hand-knitted hats from a donor in Klamath Falls, and donations of warm clothing from other community members.

"We are so grateful for these donations of warm clothing," said A-List Program Director Rachel Suits.

"During this time of distance learning, we are seeing heightened stress and isolation among our students and families, and some are having trouble meeting basic needs. Having our community support our program in this way has meant so much."

White Salmon Valley School District after-school program administration team, from left to right, Angelina Heredia, Liz Orr, Des Campbell and Rachel Suits, hold up donated coats.
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The Dalles robotics students compete in first remote VEX tournament

THE DALLES — On Saturday, The Dalles High School robotics students compete in new territory, on several levels.

With COVID and the 2020 game theme "Change Up," the program has flexed like never before.

"This year of robotics has been nothing like we have ever experienced. It is very interesting and somewhat fun to do things differently than before with new distancing policies.

"This circumstance is making us adapt and explore different strategies that we would have never come up with before. It is a great learning experience," said TDHS senior and team captain Keon Kiser.

Similarly, the tournament will look very different due to COVID restrictions. Said tournament organizer and 4-H instructor Lu Seapy, "Teams will have a field set against them that they need to clear and then fill with their alliance color. They will be racing against the clock." One team will be competing on the field at a time.

Teams can also record their stop time with this game, adding another level of difficulty. The shorter time needed to complete the task, the higher the team will rank. Seapy said the competitive robotics season has looked very different this year due to COVID.

Each team member has their own tool kit. Students work from home and schedule times to practice driving their robot on the competition field.

"Despite all the challenge this year has presented, students are still enjoying being part of a robotics program, masks and all," said coach and 4-H educator Dale Hammack.

Watch the tournament

The tournament will be streamed online with a link available at the Wasco County 4-H Facebook page, www.facebook.com/Wasco-County-4-H-Oregon-156163291073628, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

The **inauguration** is the ceremony in which the new or reelected president is inducted into office. This year it will be held at noon on January 20. It takes place outside the U.S. Capitol in Washington D.C.

The President's Oath of Office

At the inauguration ceremony, the president takes an **oath of office**. With right hand raised and left hand on an open Bible, the new president says the following statement:

the United States."
"I do solemnly swear that I will
ability, preserve, protect and
and will to the best of my
defend the Constitution of
President of the United States,
faithfully execute the office of

Whoops! Cut out the Presidential Oath and paste it on a sheet of paper in the correct order.

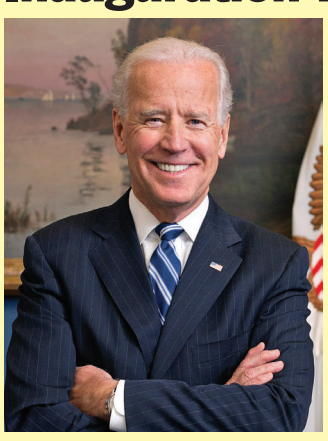
Hottest and Coldest Inaugurations

Some presidents have had two inaugurations. That's because they served two terms. One of these two-term presidents had the hottest (55°F/12°C) and coldest (7°F/-13°C) inaugurations. Use the code to discover the name of that president.

1 = A
2 = D
3 = E
4 = G
5 = L
6 = N
7 = O
8 = R

8	7	6	1	5	2
8	3	1	4	1	6

Inauguration Day 2021



Joseph R. Biden will be sworn into office as the 46th president of the United States during his inauguration celebration on January 20th. He will take the oath to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

This inauguration will make history because Kamala Harris will be first woman vice president of the United States.

Standards Link: Civics: Understand the primary responsibilities of each branch of government in a system of shared powers.

How many members of the armed services will take part in Inauguration Day activities? Circle every other letter:

QFTIAVBECTYHSOLURSDAPNMD

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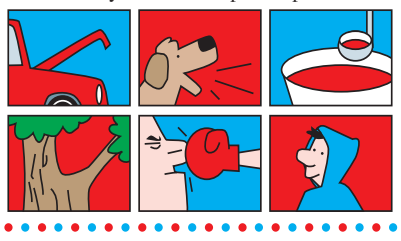
The Inaugural Ball

America's fourth president, James Madison, and his wife, Dolley, were the guests of honor at the first official Inaugural Ball. An Inaugural Ball does not bounce. It is actually a big party.

Like the word **ball**, many words mean more than one thing. Each object shown here has the same name as another object shown. Can you match the picture pairs?



bark
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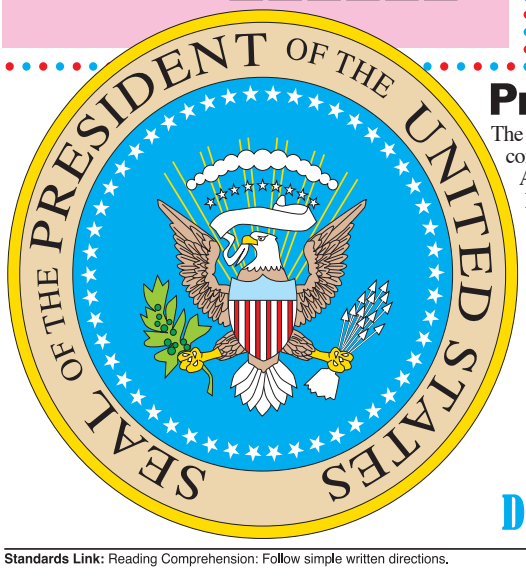
Standards Link: Reading: Identify words with multiple meanings.



Presidential Seal

The Seal of the President of the United States contains a circle of white stars representing America's 50 states. The banner that reads **E PLURIBUS UNUM** is Latin for "out of many, one" meaning out of many states, one country and also, out of many peoples, one nation. There are 13 stars, clouds, leaves and arrows that represent the original 13 states.

Starting with the first letter in each line below, circle every other letter to discover what the olive branch represents and what the arrows the eagle is holding represent.

PTEYANCKEL
DWEBFPEDNASJEV

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Extra! Extra! Word Order

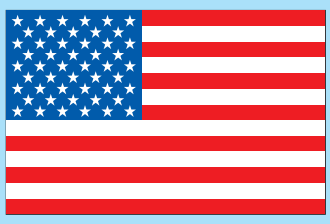
Look through the newspaper to find five or more words that begin with the letter **I**. Cut out the words and glue them onto a piece of paper in alphabetical order. Challenge: Can you do this with more than five words?

Standards Link: Spelling: Alphabetize words to a second or third letter.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

The words in the scrambled sentence below make up a very American sentence. Can you put the words in the right order to reveal the sentence?

THE UNITED PLEDGE OF STATES AMERICA OF ALLEGIANCE FLAG I TO THE.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

CEREMONY
PRESIDENT
SWEAR
PROTECT
PRESERVE
DEFEND
OATH
FIRST
PARTY
SWORN
HAND
HONOR
WHITE
NOON

H	F	H	U	N	S	T	Y	O	P
O	I	R	P	W	O	N	I	R	R
N	R	S	H	A	O	O	E	A	E
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E	M	R	O	D	R	D	Y	S	R
D	E	F	E	N	D	I	N	M	V
C	E	N	R	O	W	S	C	A	E
N	T	C	E	T	O	R	P	T	H

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recongized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop® LESSON LIBRARY

For the Children Imagine that you have been selected to advise the president on the concerns of children. Look through the newspaper for articles addressing topics that affect children. Make a list of ways you think the president could help children.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Write On!

Dear Mr. President

What do you think the new president should do for kids? Send your letter to:

The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

Kid Scoop Together: Missing Words

Fill in the missing words in the below article.

Growing Up in the White House

Several presidents have had children who lived with them in the White House.

Thomas (Tad) Lincoln was the youngest son of President Abraham Lincoln. Known for his _____ around the White House, Tad once discovered how to make all of the White House _____ ring at the same time, much to the surprise of the entire staff and residents of the building!

John and Jacqueline Kennedy were among the youngest presidential _____ to live in the White House, and their children _____ it as a playland. Caroline Kennedy, almost 4, and John Jr., just an infant, _____ in on February 4, 1961. John Jr.'s favorite _____ place was under his father's desk in the Oval Office. He could hide behind a secret _____ built into the desk.

Amy Carter was 9 when her father became president. She attended _____ schools near the White House and had a tree house built on the White House grounds. When she labeled White House trees as a school project, her father liked the idea and made it official. Now all White House trees have labels with their _____ and Latin names, as well as information about who _____ or donated them.

COUPLES	PUBLIC
ANTICS	BELLS
DOOR	COMMON
PLANTED	HIDING
TREATED	MOVED

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read a variety of grade-level appropriate expository text.