

Learning leap hits Wednesday, September 7



Photo by Saphronia Katchia

New Faces at Warm Springs Elementary

Pictured left to right, back row, Margaret Kinkade-Simnasho Teacher, Renae Rodin, Cary Pedersen, Daniel Brown, Brian Gallagher and Angie Orchard. Front row, left to right, Nancy Miller, Maureen Adams, Sue Duby, Catherine Cooper and Dan Beaubien.

Smith takes helm at Warm Springs Elementary

Warm Springs Elementary School now has a new principal, beginning the 94-95 school year. Dawn Smith is new to the position but is very much familiar with the surroundings of WSE. Dawn started at WSE as a school teacher in 1974, and continued to be a teacher for thirteen years. In 1987 she became the counselor which she held for five years. She was the Vice-Principal two years prior to now.

Her education background includes three years at the University of North Colorado where she studied Deaf Education. She transferred to Oregon State University her senior year and was part of the Teacher-Intern Program between the Tribe and O.S.U. where she graduated. She is currently a graduate student at Portland State University in the Administrative Program.

Dawn made the change to Principal because she feels she



Dawn Smith

will affect the most change there than any other position. Her goal

is to improve student achievement by focusing on reading and student management. She feels the area which needs most work is the attendance which did have a small increase last year. Getting the kids to pay attention and learn can only be done when they are in attendance and be presented with what they need to be successful. She is currently working on getting a parent group together. Which will be the first in a very long time. She feels the help of parents greatly affects the children. She would very much like it if parents were not afraid to come in, and say, "What can I do to help"

rather than sitting back and ignoring or even complaining about what is going on throughout the school. Come in and offer your assistance.

Instead of having a Vice Principal at WSE, they now have a Community Liaison. Helena Jones currently fills that position.

Dawn feels the twenty years she has been here, she now has a clear vision of where she needs to go. In her other positions she didn't have the "power" to do anything, but now has the chance to make changes in the school. The main difference regarding her new position she feels now she is the instructional leader to the teachers which is where it must start, as before it was just the kids. Dawn feels she must make the difference through the teachers, before the students, to improve the school. There are new faces at Warm Springs Elementary and Dawn feels really excited about the upcoming year, because they worked hard on the hiring of these people and the returning staff, she says is very dedicated. "Now is the time Warm Springs Elementary can make a change."

Registration for students new to 509-J

Grades K-8: May register at their respective schools starting Friday August 26.

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| Madras Elementary | Grades K-4 | 475-3520 |
| Buff Elementary | Grades 5-6 | 475-3992 |
| Metolius Elementary | Grades K-4 | 475-6421 or 546-3104 |

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| Warm Springs Elem. | Grades K-5 | 553-1128 |
| Madras Jr. High | Grades 7-8 | 475-7253 |
| Grades 9-12: May register at their school starting Monday, August 29. | | |
| Madras Sr. High | Grades 9-12 | 475-7265 |

(Please call to schedule an appointment)

SCHOOL STARTS AT 8:30 a.m.

Kindergarten

At registration, parent conferences and partial class sessions will be scheduled with parents at the time of registration. Parent Conferences will be conducted beginning September 7.

Full Kindergarten classes will begin September 13.

Kindergarten students must have: Proof of Immunization, proof of birthdate (must be five-years-old before September 1).

Changes made at WSE

Warm Springs Elementary has new staff on board they include: Kindergarten Full Time—Renae Rodin, Half Time—Fiell Ley; First Grade Angie Orchard, Cary Pedersen and Sue Duby; Second Grade Dan Brown and Nancy Miller; Third Grade Brian Gallagher; Fifth Grade Catherine Cooper; Physical Education Dan Beaubien; ERC Teacher Maureen Adams; and Community Liaison Helena Jones.

Some changes are taking place at WSE, which include having a fourth and fifth grade class blend, due to the large number of fifth graders and small number of fourth graders. Diana LaPage will teach that class. Jennifer Oppenlander will move from Kindergarten to Second Grade, and John Nelson will move from Third Grade to Fifth. Dean Johnson will now be a half-time counselor and also return as a Speech Therapist.

Supplies needed for school

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| Kindergarten | 1 sharp point scissors |
| 2 boxes crayons, basic 8, standard size not chubby | 1 4-oz. bottle of white glue |
| 10 pencils, size #2 | 1 12-inch ruler (inches & centimeters) |
| 2 4-oz. bottles of white glue, liquid | Notebook paper |
| 1 large box of tissues | 1 box of tissue |
| 1 pkg. baby-wipes (80-150 count) | Sixth Grade |
| First & Second Grades | 1 box of 16 or 24 small crayons |
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| 2 pencils, size #2 | Pink Pearl erasers |
| 1 eraser | 1 sharp point scissors |
| 2 4-oz. bottles of white glue | 4 oz. Elmer's glue |
| 1 box of tissue | 1 12-inch ruler (inches & centimeters) |
| Third Grade | Notebook paper |
| 1 box of 16 or 24 small crayons | 1 box of tissue |
| 2 pencils, size #2 | Ballpoint pens, blue or black (not erasable) |
| Pink Pearl erasers | NO Spiral or thick notebooks |
| 1 sharp point scissors | Seventh & Eighth Grades |
| 1 4-oz. bottle of white glue | College Ruled Notebook paper |
| 1 large box of tissue | One 2-inch 3-ring (metal ring) binders with dividers |
| 1 12-inch ruler (inches & centimeters) | NO Pee Chee Folders |
| Pee Chee Folders | Some classes may require additional materials. |
| Fourth & Fifth Grades | |
| 1 box of 16 or 24 small crayons | |
| Pencils, size #2 | |
| Pink Pearl erasers | |

Publications help assure a student's success in school

As a parent, you can do a lot to help your kids do better in school. It doesn't take a certified teacher to turn everyday experiences—reading signs, sorting the socks on laundry day, counting change—into simple lessons that will give kids more confidence and success in the classroom.

A series of publications from the US Department of Education offers dozens of activities to get your kids interested in school. To receive these booklets, send your name, address, the appropriate item numbers and 50 cents for each publication to R. Woods, Consumer Information Center, Pueblo, Colorado 81009.

Every child needs confidence when they're getting ready to face an environment that's different from what they are used to at home. Helping Your Child Get Ready for School (Item 372A, \$.50) urges moms and dads to be enthusiastic when talking about school. Talk about the exciting activities in kindergarten, such as going on field trips and making fun art projects. Children also become excited about school when

their parents show excitement.

Want your kids to pay attention in school? Helping Your Child Succeed in School (Item 377A) suggests that you participate in your children's education. Follow their progress by discussing teachers' comments and corrections on assignments and be sure to reward their successes. Take part in school activities when you can and meet with their teachers.

The ability to read well is crucial in most subjects. Helping Your Child Learn to Read (Item 375A) says good readers have parents who read to them often and talk about experiences and ideas. Asking kids thought-provoking, and not just "yes or no" questions, encourages the curiosity needed to create enthusiastic readers.

As children's reading skills improve, so should their natural interest in history. Helping Your Child Learn History (Item 373A) suggests making the most of everyday opportunities to relate to history—visits from grandparents, reading books, holidays, elections, the nation anthem before sporting events, pictures in

newspapers and magazines and visits to museums. Showing your interest in history encourages your child's own interest.

Math is everywhere in your child's life, and yet you both may not recognize it. Through everyday activities at home, the grocery store and in transit, Helping Your Child Learn Math (Item 374A) shows you how to recognize math in your world all the time.

And, the ability to be responsible is one of life's most rewarding skills.

Helping Your Child Learn Responsible Behavior (Item 376A) is packed with practical suggestions in helping children learn how to make responsible choices, and stick with them. The booklet also contains an extensive listing of books you can read to or with your kids that can help them learn the meaning of responsible behavior. You will also find easy and fun activities to do with your young children to help them build healthy eating and exercise habits in Helping Your Child Be Healthy and Fit (Item 371A).

Prices for School Meals

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| Served Opening Day | | |
| Breakfast | K-12 | \$.75 |
| Lunch | K-6 | \$1.00 |
| Lunch | 7-12 | \$1.25 |
| Milk only | | \$.25 |
| Reduced Prices (upon approval of application) | | |
| Breakfast | | \$.30 |
| Lunch | | \$.40 |

Applications for reduced prices are available at school office.