



School Zone

November 30, 2016

A monthly newsletter covering area schools

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Spooks and Howls at the Dorena Halloween Parade

There were witches, zombies, gypsies and even a shark at the Halloween Parade. The staff joined the students in the Hokie Pokie while the middle school judged the costumes. Afterwards the



preschool students got to parade through the classrooms. We had so much fun.

Preschool Openings !!! LaneKids

STOP and check-out this CAN'T MISS opportunity! There are 3 FREE Preschool Promise slots available at the following locations:

DORENA ELEMENTARY
1 open spot
37141 Row River Rd,
Dorena, OR 97434

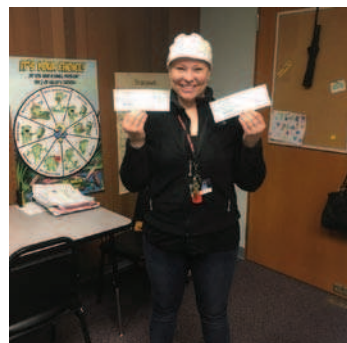
BOHEMIA ELEMENTARY
2 open spots
721 S R St, Cottage
Grove, OR 97424

Class times:
M,T,H,F: 9:00-2:30 &
Wed: 9:00-1:30

If you would like an application, please contact: Ann Salminen, Preschool Promise Coordinator
Phone: 541-741-6000 x164
Email: education@united-waylane.org.

Grocery Outlet Gives Back to Bohemia

We received our first two checks from the Grocery Outlet Share Program! The money helps support student activities. Remember that Bohemia earns money each time



you shop at Grocery Outlet and use your share card. If you need more information about the share program contact the Bohemia office at 541-942-3313.

ATA Martial Arts Guest Helping Children Build Confidence

Erin Lauraine has a passion for helping children build confidence. She volunteered two full days to work with every PE class on building self-esteem. Every child received a sticker good for 1 week free at Lauraine's ATA. Please call 541 942-0215. She is a champion for children and believes self-confidence is the best defense against being bullied. Thanks Erin!

Box Tops & Labels For Education

Each year we collect Box Tops and Campbell's Soup Food labels. Our school earns over \$250 per year turning these in. There is a Fall Collection and a Spring Collection. We have to turn in our next collection in November. Please remember to turn in these labels and send them to school. We will be sending home sheets for students to paste their tops on each month. Every little bit helps!



South Lane School District Will Take Your Nominations Now

Nomination Form Available for Teacher & Classified of the Year Awards South Lane School District and the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce want to recognize teachers and classified employees for their outstanding work that benefits our students. A teacher and classified employee of the year will be chosen in December, and will be recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner on January 21st 2017. Last year over 30 nominations were submitted. One of the great things about nominating someone is that every nominee will be notified of their nomination and will be given pages 2 and 3 of the nomination form. Take a moment and recognize someone in South Lane School District for their great work in helping kids succeed. The deadline for submitting a nomination is Thursday, December 8th.

Cottage Grove High School

The month of October featured several events focused on career and college readiness. Below is a snapshot of happenings that embody our mission to put students first and make CGHS a place where students want to be. Day of Testing: There is some testing on this day but it is mostly about

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college-and-career exploration
Perfection: Lions Varsity football finishes 8-0 for the first time in school history.
Colt Gill Visits: Chief Education Officer Colt Gill visited CGHS to speak with student and community members about improving student opportunities and success.
Equity Lens: Staff members are participating in Equity Reads to learn more about supporting all students.

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The Graduation of our KITS Cohort - 4 KITS classes of kindergarteners and their parents will be graduating the week of November 1st through November 7th. We are beginning recruitment for the 2017 cohort in January.

Preschool Promise Update - We are serving 34 children & families between the Bohemia & Dorena preschool sites. We are learning more about serving preschoolers every day!

ESL Preschool and Parenting Program - We began the year with a full house of 17 ESL 3 and 4 year olds and their parents. This amazing program will be mirroring the learning targets of Preschool Promise, as well as providing a rich parenting component.

A NEW family support grant!! - A grant proposal

to expand our existing SLSD Family Resource Center, Peggy's Primary Connection, was recently awarded by the Oregon Community Foundation. This \$100,000 Community Wellness Grant was awarded to one recipient in Lane County to target "Maternal Health". We are excited about the award and will share more information as we move forward.

Food Service

As part of the Healthy, Hungry-Free Kids Act, the USDA has established training requirements for all school nutrition employees. The number of training hours varies for four staffing levels. Director 12 hours Manager 10 hours All other staff 6 hours Part time staff (working less than 20 hours a week) 4 hours

We have covered several topics in our trainings so far this year. Along with the basic training we offer every year (child abuse, employee sexual conduct and civil rights) we have also offered classes on Farm to School, Active shooter response training (ALICE) and Point of Service Cashier training which included a National School Lunch requirement overview. So far we have had good participation in all of the trainings. Part of the PD also included the Food Service Staff visiting Mike Satterstrom's Delight Valley Farm.

Post Election Day Sharing and Our Continued Commitment

A message from
SLSD Superintendent
Krista Parent

Dear South Staff, Students and Families,

The election on Tuesday has created a wide array of feelings and emotions across the country, in Oregon, and in South Lane School District. Some are happy with the results of the election, some are shook and some have mixed emotions. For some of the results it might be easy to become cynical and lose hope. "The worst thing that can happen in a democracy - as well as in an individual's life - is to become cynical about the future and lose hope."

I have spoken to many people in South Lane and throughout the state in the days since the election. Many of these conversations re-emphasized the need for all of us to step up for our kids and the future of this country. Though the political climate feels fractured, we must come together and work toward the common

good of all individuals.

Kids have come to many of us and expressed significant concerns about their own well being. The United States Constitution guarantees that we are all equal in rights and dignity, and have the freedom of worship and expression. Equity and respect for all individuals - even those who have opinions vastly different from our own - will continue to be a core value in South Lane School District.

Here are a few thoughts that were shared with me when talking to my colleagues over the last few days . . .

"Our purpose is unchanged . . . we must provide a safe and caring place for young people to grow in knowledge and skills."

"I know Oregonians care about their kids but we just haven't gotten the message right - YET" (in reference to the failure of BM 97).

"We have to do whatever it takes to help people come together."

Measures 97 and 98 will cause some significant financial challenges for all of us. We will learn more in the coming days about the details. The Governor will release her 2017-19 budget on December 1st. Estimates currently show the state's budget to be \$1.4-1.6 billion short of current service levels.

Until then know that I am thinking, problem solving and giving my best every waking moment to support our kids and all of you. This will never change. As always, I welcome your input.

In South Lane we will continue to be guided by and stand for our core beliefs and values: Kids Come First! Decision Making is Student Centered Kids Learn Best When They Want to be at School

Stand Together With Me, Krista



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