



Graduation 2015

Central, Dallas, Falls City and Perrydale

EMILY MENTZER/Itemizer-Observer

The senior class of 2015 eagerly awaits receiving its diplomas during Central's graduation ceremony at Panther Stadium on Friday evening.



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer

Kyle Snyder attempts to stay cool during Dallas High School's graduation ceremony held at Gallsy Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

Remember when?

Key Moments In History

- Kindergarten** — MySpace founded, August 2003.
 - First grade** — Facebook founded, January 2004. Open to anyone in 2006.
 - Second grade** — Hurricane Katrina devastates the South, 2005.
 - Third grade** — Twitter founded, March 2006.
 - Fourth grade** — First iPhone released June 2007.
 - Fifth grade** — February 2008 Fidel Castro resigns as president of Cuba.
 - Sixth grade** — January 2009 Pres. Barack Obama was sworn in as the 44th president, the first African-American to be elected president.
 - Seventh grade** — Haiti suffers a massive 7.0 earthquake.
 - Eighth grade** — Osama bin Laden was killed by Navy Seals in May 2011.
 - Ninth grade** — Steve Jobs, the creator of the iPhone and Apple, died in October 2011.
 - 10th grade** — A 2-year-old girl born with HIV is cured from the disease in March 2013.
 - 11th grade** — Demonstrations occur across Egypt with 15 million people calling for the resignation of their President, Mohammed Morsi.
 - 12th grade** — November 2014 brought riots in Ferguson, Mo., after an officer-involved shooting.
- In 2003**, while these seniors were wrapping up kindergarten and moving into first grade:
 Music Billboard top song — "In da Club," 50 Cent; Best Picture — The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King; Highest grossing picture: Return of the King, \$377.02 million (Box Office Mojo).
- In 2014**, wrapping up their junior year and beginning their senior year:
 Music Billboard top song — "Happy," Pharrell Williams; Best Picture — Birdman; Highest grossing picture: American Sniper, \$350.09 million.



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A friend adjusts Cheyenne Locke's tassel as they wait for their entrance at Perrydale High School's graduation ceremony held at the school on Saturday afternoon.



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer

Logan Hess finishes blowing up a beach ball during Dallas High School's graduation ceremony on Saturday afternoon.



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Wes Riddell, right, hugs School Board Chair Kathy Zehner during Central's graduation ceremony on Friday evening.



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Falls City graduates from left, Arlin Schwanke, Tierra Reynolds, Tristan Yeager, Vi Markel and Bo Beauchamp, the entire Class of 2015, pose with their diplomas following Thursday's graduation ceremony.

SCHOOL NOTES

Falls City's FACES holds theater camp

FALLS CITY — Registration is open for FACES summer program "FACES presents Missoula Children's Theatre," slated for the week of June 22-26. The camp will daily from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Falls City High School, 111 N. Main St. and will offer lunch each day. Incoming first-graders through 12th-graders living in the Falls City School District are welcome to attend the program which will conclude with a performance of "King Arthur's Quest." Registration forms are available this week.

Independence Heritage museum seeks interns

INDEPENDENCE — The Independence Heritage Museum is seeking college or high school students for internships. Projects will vary. Past projects have included self-guided tour booklets, military murals, phase one of making the museum accessible to those with disabilities, making display panels on Native American history and hands-on experience for museum studies or anthropology students.

Oakdale signups for kindergarten is Monday

DALLAS — Parents may register their kindergarteners for school at Oakdale Heights Elementary School from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday and from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday. Parents and guardians of children who will be 5 years old by Sept. 1 are encouraged to sign up for kindergarten at their district's registration fair.

Morrison graduation slated for Thursday

DALLAS — Morrison Campus Alternative School seniors will graduate at 7 p.m. at Dallas High School. Each district has held kindergarten registration fairs to assist in classroom preparation. Parents and future kindergarteners can meet teachers, visit the schools, receive gifts and get a sense for what a full day of kindergarten will look like. Lyle Elementary will hold registration from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. on June 25. Central, Falls City and Perrydale school districts have already hosted registrations. Parents and guardians may visit their local elementary school to register anytime during school hours.

WOU sends off Class of 2015 graduates

MONMOUTH — Western Oregon University will host its graduation for both graduate students and undergrads at 11 a.m. on Saturday at McArthur Field. The gates open at 9 a.m. for seating.