Justice

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"That's a violation of Landon's rights, right?" Vitolins asked the students.

Constitution Day is celebrated each year on Sept. 17, the day the document was signed 1787. In Prineville, the date traditionally involved a field trip to the courthouse building. This year, the pandemic pushed back the date and prevented a courthouse visit.

The supreme law of the land, the U.S. Constitution, amended only 27 times, protects Americans' most basic rights.

The judge asked the students if they knew any of those rights.

Speech. Religion, they offered.

"Free freedom?" one child suggested.

Several kids were chosen to wear a judicial robe, while all the others were made to stand in deference.

The judge asked if a majority of people can sometimes be wrong.

"Why can't the Legislature pass a law saying if you're a Beaver fan, you can't drive a car? Or what if we say, no pink hair allowed?" she said. "Majority rules, right?

The audience buzzed with responses. One child shouted: "Because it's not right."

The judge agreed.

Many questions were directed at Elliott, the sheriff's lieutenant.

"Would you have Tased him if he wasn't a kid?" one girl asked about Landon.

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Classmates watch as fifth grader Landon Bisset has a backpack searched by Crook County Sheriff's Lt. Bill Elliott while attending a presentation about the U.S. Constitution and criminal justice system by Circuit Judge Daina Vitolins and Crook County District Attorney Wade Whiting at Steins Pillar Elementary School in Prineville on Friday. Judge Vitolins gave Landon the bag to hold as he walked into the gymnasium for a surprise search by Elliott as a fun way to help illustrate to the students how laws would apply to a search like that.

"I wouldn't have Tased him," Elliott responded.

"When is the appropriate time to threaten a criminal with a gun," a boy asked.

"'We don't threaten criminals with guns," Elliott said. "But if we believe someone's life is in danger, we will use deadly physical force."

Whiting asked the kids if they are subject to household rules, and why their parents have those rules.

"We want you to be the best you can be, and to stay safe and healthy," he said. "And I'm kind of like Crook County's parent. I want everyone to get along and stay safe and healthy."

Whiting, who's scheduled to be sworn in as the next circuit court judge for Crook and Jefferson counties on Monday, asked how many of the students wanted to be a lawyer.

Only a few hands shot up.

One girl wanted to make sure "there's less criminals." Another child wanted to "make the world right."

But one student brought a smile to Whiting's face.

"My parents told me I like to argue, so I should be a lawyer," she said.

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Smoke

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The worst of the smoke appeared in late August and early September, mainly from the Middle Fork Complex fire, which burned in Lane County, west of Deschutes County. The Bull Complex fire in the Mount Hood National Forest was another source of smoke in Bend.

Summer smoke also crept up from the Bootleg Fire, which burned in Southern Oregon and became the second-largest wildfire in the 2021 wildfire season.

Wildfire smoke contains particulate matter 2.5 microns or less that can penetrate the lungs and enter the bloodstream, increasing the chance for heart and lung ailments if exposed at high levels for long periods of time, especially for sensitive groups.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, individuals at greater risk of health effects from wildfire smoke include those with cardiovascular or respiratory disease, older adults, children, and pregnant women.

When particulate matter is at unhealthy levels, health authorities recommend that people stay indoors, a situation that affects daily routines and can also hurt the local economy, especially businesses that rely on tourists and other out-of-towners in Bend for concerts and events.

In September, Les Schwab Amphitheater canceled a concert that featured Death Cab For Cutie as the headlining act when smoke became too thick in Bend.

Not only did the venue lose money, but so did hotels, restaurants, bars and shops that benefit from the influx of concertgoers.

Dana Whitelaw, executive director of the High Desert Museum, said the museum is also impacted by smoke and "sees significant revenue loss" as residents and visitors tend to stay home on smoky days.

"It also impacts what programs we can run since it impacts our outdoor staffing model and even the raptors, believe it or not, get days off during poor air quality," said Whitelaw.

The Labor Day fires of September 2020 that brought extreme smoke to Bend accounted for the main difference between 2021 and 2020. There was no cataclysmic event in 2021, but rather a series of lower impact fires that burned over a longer period of the year.

According to Gleim the 18 days of air quality at "unhealthy for sensitive groups" or worse made 2021 the smokiest year on record in terms of duration.

The second-worst year for the duration of smoke was 2017 with 15 days at unhealthy for sensitive groups or worse.

Gleim said this year's smoke is part of a trend that is not new in Oregon.

"Most of the smoke we see in Oregon is from wildfires," said Gleim. "That smoke has been increasing in intensity and duration over the past several decades."

The increase stems from fire seasons that have become longer and hotter, a problem associated with climate change.

Some Central Oregonians are finding ways to navigate the situation.

After the Sisters Folk Festival was canceled twice due to smoke in recent years, organizers last year pushed the event back from September to October in order to avoid the smoke season.

Hotel operators are also getting better at helping their guests find things to do in Bend when the air quality deteriorates.

"Our team became savvy smoke guides," said Samuel Johnson, general manager of The Oxford Hotel in Bend, when reflecting on poor air quality days last year.

He said his employees monitored the air quality and sent guests to parts of Central Oregon less affected by the smoke.

"We found travelers were flexible and able to change where they went hiking and biking," said Johnson. "Obviously, this isn't sustainable for long periods of time or when the entire area is blanketed, but this past year especially we were able to shuffle people around based on air pocket quality."

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