

IMESD districts, law enforcement agencies focus on school security

InterMountain ESD has collaborated with local law enforcement and regional school districts to host an event focusing on school security. IMESD serves districts in the four counties of Baker, Morrow, Umatilla and Union. The agency has partnered with law enforcement officials in those counties to present a School Security Summit on August 8, 2022, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center.

The summit was created partly in response to the mass shootings recently in the country, including the Uvalde, Texas, tragedy. However, Dr. Mark Mulvihill, IMESD Superintendent, said anytime is a good time to review safety protocols for schools and to strengthen collaboration between districts and the law enforcement agencies that serve them. "Over the past several decades, school district and law enforcement officials spent extensive time developing school

safety plans. However, they can always be updated and improved to ensure safe learning environments."

"We've focused heavily on pandemic safety over the past two years. It is clear we need to focus once again on our active-shooter protocols after Uvalde," Mulvihill said.

Chuck Byram, chief of the Pendleton Police Department, reiterated the importance of law enforcement agencies and school districts continuing to work together on security in schools. "The importance of collaboration between law enforcement, school districts and many other stakeholders cannot be overstated. The safety of our children, in our schools and in our communities, is our top priority. It takes all of us working and training together to ensure we have effective response plans, as well as effective measures in place to prevent incidents before they occur," Byram

said.

In 2016, IMESD led a region-wide effort to encourage all school districts in the area to adopt the same security terminology (from the i love u guys foundation) so that in the event of an emergency, school administrators and law enforcement officers could better communicate. At that time, security audits were completed at many of the region's schools by the Pendleton Police Department. "In addition to improving physical security at schools, at that time we also really focused on building relationships between schools and the officers who would be responding to situations at those schools," Mulvihill said.

For more information about the summit, please email IMESD Superintendent Mulvihill at mark.mulvihill@imesd.k12.or.us. For more information on terminology, visit <https://iloveguys.org/>.

Longtime educator steps into leadership for Ukiah School

Laura Orr appointed Superintendent

Ukiah School District welcomed longtime science teacher Laura Orr to her new appointment as District Superintendent on July 1, 2022. Over the past 18 years, Orr has taught science classes for grades 5-12 in Ukiah. Orr was raised in Ukiah and her commitment to her home community was a key consideration for the Ukiah School Board's appointment for this position.



Laura Orr

Chair of the Ukiah School Board Wendy Eddy explained, "As a board, we had discussed the options at our disposal which were to fly the job externally or internally. After much deliberation, we decided that filling internally would be in the district's best interest." Orr's years of service as a teacher were among several important factors the board considered, Eddy explained, continuing, "Laura will be a great fit for the position as she possesses the drive, ambition and adaptability that Ukiah School District needs to be successful into the future."

Orr said she is looking forward to starting her new role as superintendent. "I am looking forward to supporting the unique challenges of modern education in rural areas as well as helping our great school and community continue to thrive," Orr said.

During her tenure as a teacher, Orr has brought her passion for science to her classes in person as well as in the Virtual Learning Academy (VLA) program. Astronomy, local environmental science and computer science and technology are her focus areas. Her teaching and mentorship have regularly brought

exciting new projects to her students, providing opportunities to participate in national-level astronomy research.

Orr is a local and regional leader promoting science education as a member of several boards and public outreach programs. She is an active participant in major research endeavors, including NITARP, the Teacher Archive Research Program organized by NASA and Caltech's Infrared Processing and Analysis Center, which connects astronomers with high school students. Outside of the classroom, she is active in the Ukiah community as a director of the Ukiah Rodeo, leader for the Ukiah 4-H clubs and a coordinator of the local NITARP astronomy research.

Orr holds a Bachelor of Physics from Eastern Oregon University and a master's degree in Science Education from Western Governors University. She is currently completing an administrative licensing program and internship in the Ukiah School District.

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185 W CENTER ST Heppner

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SALE PENDING

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320 BARRATT BLVD Heppner

\$300,000

SOLD

A classic beauty in Heppner. From the front sitting room thru the woodworked dining room and open kitchen with island, this 4 bedroom 3 bath home is a unique find. The large living room is overlooked by a balcony upstairs where three of the bedrooms are located. Master bedroom is on the main floor with bath and walk-in closet. Skylights give natural light to the interior. Home includes a two car garage and basement for storage along with a big utility room.

Call for an appointment to see this!

195 N GALE ST Heppner

\$235,000

SOLD

Large living room, 2 bedrooms and bathroom upstairs, one bedroom and bath downstairs. The workshop has a cold storage room for the hunter and a great workspace. Renters are currently in the process of moving out.

535 ELDER ST Heppner

\$480,000

SOLD

There is plenty of room in this 3,680 sq. ft. 4 bedroom 4 bath home on 5.29 acres located on Dee Cox Rd near Heppner. Has family/game room, office space and a deck for summer barbecuing. Beautiful bamboo floors with an open kitchen and dining area. Top of the line induction cook top convection oven with air frying included. Daylight basement opens out to the backyard, where there is an outbuilding & chicken coop. These small acreage homes are hard to come by, so come and have a look soon.

61476 DEE COX RD Heppner

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buy one

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