

Perrydale School Community Newsletter

Perrydale School District

April 2012

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By Robin Stoutt

Moving Away from No Child Left Behind

The following information is very important for you to read and understand. Our Oregon schools are moving to achievement compacts to measure students' academic growth. The information below comes from Oregon Department of Education. If you have questions about the articles, please don't hesitate to call me or come in.

The following is an extract from Springfield Superintendent Nancy Golden's opinion piece which ran in the Eugene Register Guard on February 7. Nancy clearly and eloquently sums up many of the frustrations surrounding the current No Child Left Behind mandates and the opportunity presented by our recent federal waiver proposal. Our state is taking a bold new approach to accountability and reporting, one that we believe will better serve both our students and our schools. You can learn more about the waiver design process and read the recently submitted waiver at: <http://www.ode.state.or.us/go/nextgen>. - Susan Castillo, Superintendent ODE

It's Time to Abandon No Child Left Behind

By Nancy Golden

The Oregon Department of Education estimates that 800 schools across our state won't meet NCLB standards next year, and that school districts will be forced to divert \$30 million to \$45 million from classrooms to pay for mandated programs in sanctioned schools.

There is a better way. Oregon has applied for a waiver to replace the punitive provisions of NCLB with a flexible Oregon alternative that ensures accountability and better student outcomes. The Legislature approved the creation of educational achievement compacts in March.

To be freed from NCLB, the U.S. Department of Education requires states to develop accountability systems that distinguish performance among schools and push every school and district toward better outcomes. Rather than merely resetting NCLB's arbitrary yardstick for measuring success, Oregon's waiver application proposes a new approach based on "achievement compacts." Those compacts are dynamic, transparent partnership agreements between the state and each educational institution. Through achievement compacts, school districts would set ambitious, but achievable goals for performance on outcomes, such as third grade reading, high school graduation and closing the achievement gap.

With the achievement compacts in place, our local efforts will be aligned with 196 other school districts across Oregon. We will each set our own targets and strive, together, to help Oregon meet the state's 2025 goal: 100 percent high school graduation; 40 percent of students earning a two-year degree or career certification; and 40 percent earning a bachelor's degree or higher. The achievement compacts will also allow us to compare outcomes among districts — what's working and what's not, with similar students — which will be useful to policymakers, teachers and parents alike.

While setting goals is important, what matters most is reaching them. With the compacts in place, the state plans to relieve all school districts from some state-imposed rules, standards and reporting burdens that have impeded innovation. The state also plans to set up a tiered system of supports and interventions designed to boost achievement at lower-performing schools by drawing on the expertise of similar schools that have done better. It is time to dispense with NCLB's top-down, one-size-fits-all approach to school accountability. Without bold change and the adoption of achievement compacts, we risk being left with the status quo under No Child Left Behind — an unacceptable outcome.

The choice is clear, and the time is now to move forward on our shared vision for student success in Oregon.

2nd Grade Lima Bean Experiment

By: Jessica DeFrancisco

Second grade has been researching which environment a lima bean plant would grow best in. Each team “planted” two lima beans in a plastic bag with a wet paper towel as its soil. We then placed each bag into a different environment: Sun, No Sun, No



Soil, and No Water. Everyday we became “Bean Scientists” as we closely observed and recorded the many changes our beans made. It was a huge success! We



had many bean plants sprout stems, roots, and even leaves! We even learned that plants need chlorophyll and glucose to make food during photosynthesis. Wow!

Thank you to everyone for making the 2012 Auction a success!



The PPC would like to thank everyone who worked on the 2012 Auction. The evening was a tropical success and raised funds that will be used to support PPC activities for the 2012-13 school year. Class baskets raised over \$3,000! This is \$400 more than last year and double what was raised in 2010! Way to go class basket leads! This money will be dispersed to the classes directly before the end of this school year and used as the class / staff determine.

The PPC asks that you take time to thank and patronize the many businesses that supported this year's auction. Without them we would not be able to have this event. Sponsors & Donors for 2012:

#1 Solar Nails, 3rd Street Pizza and Moonlight Theater, A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, Advanced Smile design, Advantage Precast, AG West Supply, Albertson's, All Polished Up, Al's Garden Center, American Outdoor, Amity Cut & Style, Ankeny Vineyard, Any Time Fitness - Dallas, Asabache Mexican Family Restaurant, Baker's Sweets, Best Little Roadhouse, Bethel Heights Vineyards, Brian and Peggy Boquist, Brigittine Monastery, Brim Tractor Company, Broadmead Nursery, B's Buzzzz, Burlingham Seeds LLC, Carquest (Dallas), Chateau Bianca, Chem Dry of Salem, Cherry Country, Chinook Winds Casino and Resort, Classic Hair Design, Coelho Winery, Commissioner Craig Pope & Dina Pope, Costco Wholesale, Cross Creek Golf Course, Cubanismo Vineyards, Dallas Aquatic Center, Dallas Floral and Gifts, Dallas Radio Shack, Dan Mitchell & Lisa Mitchell, Davison Auto Parts, Dennis and Carol Rogers, Domino's Pizza (Dallas), Enchanted Forest, Envy Spa Salon, Eola Hills Wine Cellars, Eric Kama – Island Style BBQ & Farrol's Restaurant, Evergreen Aviation Museum, Family Fun Center & Bulwinkle's Restaurant, Fisher Farm and Lawn, Found Objects, Full Sail Brewery, Gallery Theater, Golden Valley Brewery and Restaurant, Grace Community Church, Great Harvest Bread Company, Hauer of the Dauen Winery, Heartstrings Florist, Heiser's Pumpkin Patch, High Desert Museum, Highway Fuel Co., Home Comfort Inc., Honest Chocolates, Hopscotch Toys & Games, Hyder Family Dentistry DBA McMinnville Dental Images, Ink Spot Printing, Itemizer-Observer Newspaper, Jake's Garage, James Drayton Trucking and Excavation, James W. Fowler Affiliates, Joe Hayward Ford, Inc., Johan Vineyards, Kettle Brand a Division of Diamond Foods, King's Pumping Services, Kirk Fast & Katie Fast, Kroc Center, Left Coast Cellars, Les Schwab – Dallas & McMinnville, Little Ceasars – McMinnville & Dallas, Log Cabin Inn and Inn at the Bridge, Mac Auto Supply, Maricruz Juanillo, Marilyn Breeden, Marr Bros., Inc., Marshall's Auto Body & Paint, McMenamins, McMinnville Hearth & Barbeque, McMullin Chevrolet Meduri World Delights, Miramar Mexican Restaurant, Mt. Angel Oktoberfest, Mt. Bachelor, Naia Cummings, North Dallas Bar & Grill, Northern Lights Theater, Odd Moe's Pizza, Old Mill Feed & Garden, Orchard Heights Winery, Oregon Coast Aquarium, Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Oregon Symphony Association, Pacific Fir Lumber, Pale Horse Brewing Co., Panther Creek Cellars, Papa Murphy's, Pentacle Theater, Pink Poodle Pet Cleaning, Polk County Fair, Portland Japanese Garden, Portland Trail Blazers, Radicole Jumpers, Ranch Records, Rebecca Dumbrow at You-Nique Boutique, Red Fox Bakery & Café, Red Prairie Ranch, Rice Furniture, Rickreall Farm Supply, Rogue Brewery, Roth's, Ruddenklau Farms, Rugged Wear, Salem Riverfront Carousel, Salem-Keizer Volcanoes, Scharf Farms, Scharf Rolling Acres, Serendipity Ice Cream, Sheridan Pizza Co., Slow Train Coffee, Smith & Company Painting, Inc., Sparr Functional Art, Starbucks – Dallas & McMinnville, Starlite Lanes, Stone Wolf Winery, Stuck Electric, Sunrise Trading, Sylvan Learning Center, That Something Special, The Car Doctor, The Car Shop, The Oregon Garden, The Oregon Symphony, Third Street Books, Yamhill Valley Drygoods, Timberline Lodge, Timmreck & McNicol Jewelers, Tipps Printing, Ugo's Pizza Parlor, Uncle Jack's BBQ, Van Duzer Vineyard, Van Well Building Supply Co., Veronica Lemus, Walnut City Wine Works, Waltz Rebuilt Auto Parts, Wilbur-Ellis Company, Wilco, Wildlife Safari, Willamette Heritage Center at the Mill, Willamette Queen Sternwheeler, Willamina Meat Service, Wine by Joe, Yamhill County Fair, Yenne and Schofield, DMD.

Please mark your calendars to attend the 2013 PPC Dinner Auction March 2, 2013 at the Polk County Fairgrounds and Event Center. This will mark the 7th anniversary of the PPC Auctions so we will be hosting a Vegas Style event for “Lucky number 7”.

Upcoming meeting dates: April 12th at 7pm in the Science Lab.

From the Playing Field

By Chris Gubrud

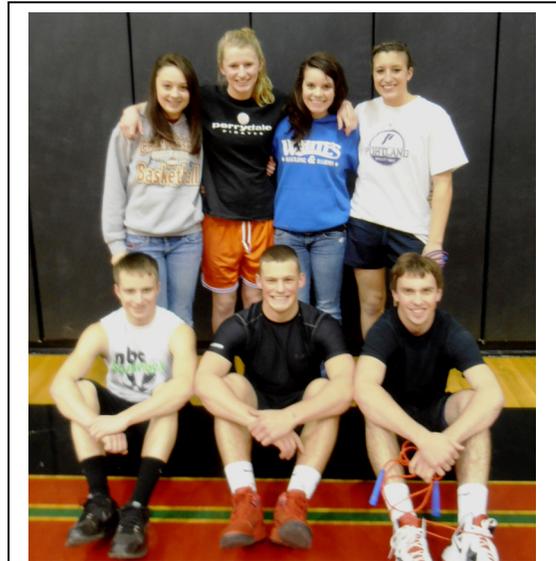


Winter sports are wrapped up and the Track, Softball and Baseball teams are in their third week of practice. The boys' and girls' basketball teams both narrowly missed the state tournament. The girls lost to the eventual state champion McKenzie Eagles and the boys fell at Triangle Lake. Both teams, although not satisfied, had great years and we had several outstanding individual achievements. All league players for the girls were Brooke Barnes and Katie Hallock (first team) Cheyenne Locke and Ashley Griffin (second team). Tell Cruickshank (second team), Justin Cruickshank and Corbin Reed (HM) were honored for the boys. Congratulations to all.

Boys' Coach TJ Bailey (3 years), has resigned and the position is open and we are currently taking applications. Thank you TJ for three great years at Perrydale.

We have an exciting new opportunity in regards to facilities. Through a company based in Salem, we have been approved for approximately \$700,000 toward an outdoor athletic facility upgrade (turf for the football/track facility). If our community can generate between \$300,000 and \$320,000, synthetic turf could become a reality at Perrydale. It is a unique program that is difficult to explain. In essence, if a single person/cooperation donated the entire sum (\$300,000) they would get a tax credit for the worth of the project (approx. \$1,000,000). They would get all the money back in the next year's taxes. If you/your cooperation are interested or know someone who may be, please contact me, I have many more details that will clear up any questions you may have. I have one business at this point that is willing to be a part of this, but we need more. This opportunity will be gone by the end of the summer!

cgubrud@perrydale.k12.or.us



League Awards for Basketball from Back Left: Katie Hallock, 1st Team; Brooke Barnes, 1st Team; Cheyenne Locke, 2nd Team; Ashley Griffin, 2nd Team; Justin Cruickshank, Honorable Mention; Tell Cruickshank, 2nd Team; Corbin Reed, Honorable Mention.

College Corner

What is Forecasting?

Forecasting is a process which happens in all high schools in early spring. Students are given a forecasting sheet. On the sheet there is a wide range of information: a draft schedule, list of required courses for each grade level, even rules for on-line, college credit, work release and student assistant classes.

Students are required to select from a list of required courses and elective courses. A curriculum guide provides class descriptions so students can make thoughtful choices. Students are also asked to offer some alternative suggestions just in case the classes they chose are not offered.

Once the student has completed this process at school they will bring the draft home to parents for their input. Changes can be made until the end of the school year by simply stopping by Mrs. McCartney's office and filling out a new sheet.

Over the summer the final high school schedule of classes is developed and when you come in August for registration, each student is given a printed copy of their own schedule. Once school starts any adjustments to schedules are made in the first week of school so students can quickly settle into their routine.

Perrydale will be forecasting the first two weeks of April. Please ask your student to see their forecasting sheet so you can give them some feedback on their initial choices.

2012 PROM

Prom will be held on April 28th at the Salem Resort and RV. Tickets are \$15.00 for singles and \$25.00 for couples. Theme: Under the Sea



Ship Shape!



Congratulations to our awesome group of Ship Shapers this month. Back Left to Front Right: James Babcock, Lili Estrada, Ashlyn Simone, Kenzy Lawrence, Amity Deters, Ellie McMullen, Angel Brewer, Mila McBeth, Mason Crawford and Julia Foster.

A local artist, Sam Bernardi created the tile mosaic for the Science Lab. Students submitted their ideas and Sam merged them into the mosaic you see today outside the Science Lab. Come by and enjoy this beautiful piece of art.



Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration

By: Janeen Thomson and Christy Ford

Perrydale Elementary students celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday with a bash! We began the day with a Hat Parade through the High School and the Middle School, wearing a wide variety of silly hats. We then settled into our pj's for an elementary-wide "Read In" with our Reading Buddies in the gym. At lunch we concluded our celebration with some delicious cake. Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!



Kindergartners and 3rd Graders enjoying a fun day celebrating Dr. Seuss' Birthday!



Graduation Dress Code

1. Students are advised to dress UP for graduation. This means attire more formal than everyday wear. Students should view graduation in the same manner as they would a job interview or a formal family gathering. Students are reminded to dress in a manner which is clean, decent, and appropriate. Dress under gowns should follow these guidelines:
 - a. Young Men Graduation Ceremony: Dress pants or Docker-type slacks. No denim allowed. Shirt with collar or dress shirt with tie. No shorts, T-shirts, or shirts with logo on them. Hair must be neat and a natural color (no purple, green, blue, etc.).
 - b. Young Ladies Graduation Ceremony: Dresses, skirts or full-length dress slacks. Dresses or skirts required at least knee-length or longer. No slits above the knee. No denim allowed. No strapless, spaghetti-strap, backless, halter-top or see-through blouses or dresses. No cleavage or exposed midriff (including when arms are raised or bending over). No undergarments exposed. Hair must be neat and a natural color (no purple, green, blue, etc.).
 - c. Students must wear nice, clean, appropriate shoes. If you have any questions, see an administrator for approval.
2. Nothing may be written on the caps or gowns. No decorations of any kind besides tassels, cords, etc. may be worn.
3. No gawdy jewelry.
4. Beach balls, silly string, bubbles, squirt guns, and noisemakers are strictly prohibited. All items confiscated will be kept and disposed of at the owner's expense.
5. No items may be placed under chairs during ceremony.
6. Please note that if a prospective graduate does not wish to abide by the Perrydale Graduation Dress Code, they are welcome to not participate. The graduation ceremony is a privilege, not a requirement or a right.
7. No chewing gum.



More Graduation Updates

Caps and Gowns will be given out at school the week prior to graduation. If you need a few extra announcements, Mrs. McCartney will have a small supply in her office.

When your senior gets accepted into college or earns a scholarship, it is important to call or e-mail Mrs. McCartney so that important news can be announced at graduation. She is in the process of writing up the program now and will continue with updates as news comes in.

Site Council News

By Janet Person

Site Council met on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 in the science lab. Members present were Robin Stoutt, Sheila McCartney, Tammy Ruegsegger, Linda Romey, Janet Person and Christina Sekafetz from Mrs. Romey's leadership class

Our topic of discussion was the upcoming School-Wide Improvement Day (SWID) which will take place on Wednesday, April 25th. The leadership class will be involved with the planning for SWID again this year. Mrs. Stoutt and Mrs. Person will be meeting with the class after Spring Break to brainstorm ideas for this event. The media class is also working on a video to present at SWID that will show items that have been accomplished that were on last year's brainstorming lists.

Our theme this year will be "It All Starts With a Thought". We will also be discussing the theme with the leadership class when we meet and will see if we can expand on this to help students bring forth positive ideas with this theme.

We have invited Susan Castillo, Oregon Department of Education's Superintendent of Public Instruction, to attend and she has accepted our invitation. We are looking forward to having this very special visitor and will be thinking of a way to honor her at SWID. We will also be having some musical entertainment from some of our Perrydale students.

We strongly encourage parents and community members to attend this event because we like to have everyone's input to help make a difference at our school. It will take place on Wednesday, April 25th from 8:00 to 9:45 a.m. Please refer to the main SWID article in this newsletter for more information. If you have any questions or have some ideas but are not able to attend the event, please call the school.

Site Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 3:45 p.m. in the Science Lab. If you would like to attend a meeting or be part of our committee, please contact Sheila McCartney or Janet Person at the school.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Kindergarten Roundup will be **May 2nd, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Please make sure that you have your child's birth certificate and up to date immunization papers. There is a sign up sheet in the office, call 503-623-2040 to have your name added to it.
- Also, anyone interested in attending Preschool next year can call the office at 503-623-2040 for more information. So, if you know any preschoolers that would be interested, let them know so they can be put on the list.
- School-Wide Improvement Day- April 25th, 8:00-9:45 a.m.
- Survival Swim is coming up. We need volunteers to help with grades 1, 2, and 3. The swim dates and times are: May 14th through May 24th from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. On May 14th there will be an orientation at 12:30 p.m. Call the office at 503-835-3184 if it will work for you. Thank You.



LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

By Anne Riley

Saturday, March 10, 2012, the Ninjas (Sydney Perkins, Emma Johnson, Maddy Ford, Hailey Schewe) came to Corvallis and participated in the Oregon Battle of the Books Regional Finals. They came in 28th out of 41 teams which is our best showing to date. They battled 2 really good teams and I could not have been more proud than I was on Saturday. Thank you to everyone who participated in the battles, buying battle books, coming to support your favorite team and reading battle books to your class. I appreciate you all so much. So if you see the Ninjas in the hall or at recess give them thumbs up for a job well done.

After spring break come down and check out a book to read over the break. We have 1000's to choose from!

If you participated in art earlier this year and made ceramic mugs please come down and get yours from the art case outside the library door.



Sydney Perkins, Emma Johnson, Maddy Ford and Hailey Schewe.

Welcome to Perrydale, Carolyn Jones, LCSW. Carolyn has over 30 years of experience in education. She will be with us on Tuesdays filling the role of our school counselor.



Elementary News!

By Ms. Yovino

What a great year we have had! We have raised enough money to put an extra special "toy" on the playground! We also have two tether balls that need to be put in the ground. When the rainy weather lets up we are also getting our four square areas repainted as well as bases painted for baseball and kick ball. In addition to all of these great things, we are going to have goal areas painted for soccer! Many thanks go out to all of our families and staff and students who make our carnival the great success that it has been. The monies we raise go not to just the elementary, but also to help offset the costs for prom, graduation, senior trips and things like books for the Battle of The Books program led by our librarian, Mrs. Riley; prizes for Jump Rope for Heart; and our Mini Relay for Life!! WOW! Your support goes along way! There are not enough words to express my thanks to you all for your tremendous support of our kids! The kids and I both are so very grateful for all you do, YOU ARE THE BEST!!!

Maddy Trupka with her Dr. Seuss hat.



Dr. Seuss Celebration

By Ms. Yovino

!WOW! What a great day we had!! We started our celebration with our annual "Crazy Hat" parade, and oh some of the crazy hats we saw!! It was amazing! One student even made a hat with a paper mache Cat in the Hat on top!! Our annual parade kicked off from the "old" gym, led by Cat in the Hat and the K-Bears and their music. They led us thru the hallowed halls of the high school, through the library winding our way through the middle school and finishing up with the office! After the parade the students went to the "old" gym for a "read in" sharing stories with their reading buddies! We topped off our day with birthday cake for the entire school at lunch time! How tasty is that? Special thanks to Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Riley for helping cut and serve, and to the PPC for purchasing our cakes. Until next year, remember to keep reading because Oh the places you can go through the magic of books!!

Congratulations to senior, Hope Carmona for being honored with the **President's Volunteer Service Award**. This award is sponsored by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program for outstanding community service.



April

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 Comm. Outreach BB 4:00 p.m.	2 V. Baseball vs. Chemawa 4:30 p.m. Service Integration Meeting 11:45 a.m.	3	4 V. Baseball @ Kennedy 4:30 p.m. Varsity Softball @ Gervais 5:00 p.m. JV Softball @ Dallas JV 4:30 p.m.	5 Track Meet @ Amity 4:00 p.m.	6 V. Softball @ Culver 4:30 p.m.	7
8 Comm. Outreach BB 4:00p.m.	9	10 V. Softball vs. Scio 4:30 p.m. Blood Drive 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	11 V. Baseball vs. Scio 4:30 p.m.	12 Track Meet @ Sheridan 4:00 p.m. PPC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	13 V. Baseball @ St. Paul 4:30 p.m. V. Softball @ Central Linn 4:30 p.m.	14 Track Meet @ Estacada 11:00 a.m.
15 Comm. Outreach BB 4:00pm	16 MS Softball/Baseball @ Western Mennonite 4:00 p.m. V. Softball @ East Linn Christian 4:30 p.m.	17 V. Baseball @ Regis 4:30 p.m.	18 MS Softball/Baseball vs. Harrisburg 4:00 p.m. V. Softball vs. Kennedy 4:30 p.m.	19 4 th Gr. Field Trip to Will Stauffer Farm 8:45-3:30 p.m. Track Meet @ Dayton 4:00 p.m. V. Baseball vs. Western Menn. 4:30 p.m. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	20 V. Softball @ Siletz 4:30 p.m. JV Softball vs. Dallas JV 4:30 p.m.	21
22 Comm. Outreach BB 4:00pm	23 MS Softball/Baseball vs. Scio 4:00 p.m. V. Softball vs. Regis 4:30 p.m.	24 V. Baseball vs. Delphian 4:30 p.m. V. Softball @ Western Mennonite 4:30 p.m.	25 Talent Show School Wide Improvement Day 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.	26 Track Meet @ St. Paul 4:00 p.m. Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m. Budget Comm. Mtg. 6:00 p.m.	27	28 Track Meet @ Salem 1:00 p.m. Prom at Salem RV/Resort
29 Comm. Outreach BB 4:00pm	30 Anything is Possible at Perrydale 7:30 a.m. MS Softball/Baseball vs. Salem Academy 4:00 p.m. V. Softball vs. Culver 4:30					

2012

School-Wide Improvement Day

By Janet Person

We will be holding our 13th annual School-Wide Improvement Day on Wednesday, April 25th. This has been a very successful event which has made some positive impact on our school.

You may be asking, “What is School-Wide Improvement Day”? Well, it is a day where the whole school spends a good part of the morning brain-storming about ideas on how we can make Perrydale School a better place for all. Ideas can range from a zoo from the Kindergarten class to new computers from high school students. Other ideas generated are topics of healthy living, service learning and school climate.



The day starts out with the whole school meeting in the new gym (the new gym was one of the ideas on our lists for many years before it became a reality). After that, Elementary students grades K – 4 return to their classes, Grades 5 – 7 go to the Middle School to their assigned classrooms and Grades 8 – 12 go to their assigned classrooms for their sessions. Ideas are recorded on computers by students in the upper grades and adult volunteers in the lower grades. After the sessions, healthy snacks are served and then we meet in the gym to share our ideas.

All community members and parents are welcome to attend this event. It begins at 8 a.m. in the new gym with a celebration of last year’s accomplishments and various performances by students. We break up into groups around 8:15 a.m. and then come back to the gym to share ideas at 9:00 a.m.

Perrydale School District #21
7445 Perrydale Road
Amity, OR 97101

Presorted Standard
U.S. Postage Paid
Amity, OR 97101
Permit #3