## REPUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

December 2022 NEWSLETTER

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Republic School District Learning Community,
The cold and unpredictable winter weather is here to stay and it might be one of those loooong winters here in Republic! With that being said, please keep an eye on our website live feed, Facebook page, or coach/advisor's site for weather related announcements. Our transportation and maintenance team does a wonderful job in getting our buses ready and grounds cleared off, but sometimes things change or bus routes need to be combined, so please check out those sites when in doubt.

The roof in the middle and high school was completed right before the first snowfall, which has been great in preventing leaks and keeping moisture out of the buildings. With this work, we have also completed an indoor air quality check through our Educational Service District and the Department of Health. The results of the physical inspection and interpretation of the sample data suggests Republic High School to be safe for instruction and regular physical activities. This is great news and we are also on schedule to continue improvements to the middle and high school HVAC and plumbing systems next summer.

A big THANK YOU goes out to our Veterans for their service and staff/students that organized our Veterans Day breakfast this year. It was a wonderful turnout and we hope to build on this in the coming years.

Stay warm out there and please reach out to your schools directly for any questions that you might have throughout the year.

Yours in Service,
John Farley
Superintendent

WINTER BREAK December 20, Early Release at 11:30 December 21-30, NO SCHOOL


January 2nd, We look forward to our students returning!


Mr. Winter's 5th graders enjoying the new snow, read more about our snowy adventures in Mr. McRae's ROAR Report!

## STUDENTS TEACH Quadratics

By Riley James Kyle Spurgeon \& Bently Ryan Masingale
For our first quarter project in Precalculus, we taught the Algebra II students about quadratics and how to graph them expertly. We started by introducing ourselves. Afterwards we proceeded to give the students the instructions on the warmup. They were to identify what kind of equation they were dealing with and match the graphs with the written equations.
After the warm up, we told the students to draw one of the options we listed: a hill, a dolphin, the McDonald's logo, a roller coaster, a dog on a bridge, or a banana. These were chosen due to their simplicity and resemblance to parabolas (though the students did not know this at the time). We gave the students 7 minutes to draw. After they were done, we showed the students how to use Desmos to graph equations with constraints. We then proceeded to show our own Algebra II drawings from last year. Riley drew a sword and Bently drew Squidward. We then showed them our graphed versions:


We explained they were to use the rest of class time to graph their drawings using equations and domain and range restrictions. We also explained how this assignment will help them in the future when they do their final projects in the spring; they will graph a complex image using these same techniques. We helped those who had questions and were willing to learn.

Cultivating a Safe, CHAllenging Environment For Maximum Student Success
HONORING OUR VETERANS
On November 10th we invited our local Veterans to join us for a special breakfast and assembly to honor their service. It has been awhile since we have been able to invite our Veterans to the school so it was outstanding to be able to honor them in person. Jacob Schrader, our local game warden, was our guest speaker and did a wonderful job. Sarah Cromwell and our High School band played several patriotic pieces and our students and staff did a wonderful job of honoring our veterans. A big thank you to everyone who made this happen and we look forward to doing this again next year!



BRidge Building
Mr. Heinen's shop classes took a week to build balsa wood bridges. There was a lot of excitement especially when we went to test to see how much weight their bridges would hold. Our winning bridge held 45lbs. before it broke!! There were many interesting designs and some worked well and some didn't, but everyone worked at it and did a great job!

## I MAKE A DIFFERENCE (I.M.A.D.) <br> Brought to you by Mrs. Young, our Communities in Schools Coordinator!

First Quarter was "Responsibility". Staff nominated middle school students who consistently demonstrate qualities showing responsibility. The students were recognized during a special assembly where one student from each grade was chosen as the winner:

6th Grade Henry Zakar 7th Grade Grace Cromwell 8th Grade Megan Ricard

Congratulations to the winners \& all the nominees!

## MUSIC NOTES

'Tis the season to be. . . THANKFUL!

We are so privileged here in Republic. We have amazing musicians at our schools and we would like to share all these talents with you. Please plan to attend one or all of our following concerts to support our students and be thankful for this season.

## December 8th @ 6:00

Pre-K to 4th grade will be performing our mini-musical How the Penguins saved Christmas. This will take place in the elementary gym.

## December 13th@ 6:00

5th grade beginning band will share with you what they have learned on these brand new instruments of theirs. This will take place in the elementarygym.

## December 15th @ 6:00

HS/JH bands and choir will perform our seasonal concert. This will take place in the elementary gym.

I wish you a wonderful season and hope we can be a part of it.
Sara Cromwell
K-12 Music Teacher




## Republic School Kitchen

Farm to school enriches the connection communities have with fresh, healthy food and local food producers.

The farm-to-school approach helps children and families understand where their food comes from and how their food choices can impact their health, the environment, and their community. Specific benefits for children, according to the U.S. National Farm to School Network, include an increased knowledge and awareness about gardening, agriculture, healthy eating, local foods and seasonality, greater fruit and vegetable consumption both at school and at home, and enhanced overall academic achievement. For the past month our students have been eating produce from local farmers. Students at Republic School District have tried Yellow Watermelon from Royal Produce, and Rainbow carrots from Elithorp Farm. Since it's that time of year for soup they will be having a vegetable beef stew with the stew meat coming from Ramstead Ranch.

## Fresh Fruit \& Vegetable Program

This school year, Republic Elementary School K-6th grade have been selected to participate in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP). The FFVP is funded by the USDA. During the school day, a fresh fruit or vegetable snack will be provided to students in their classroom. The main goal of the FFVP is to increase fruit and vegetable consumption in elementary school children as well as provide nutrition education in the classroom. Our Food Services director will be selecting an array of fruits and vegetables. Some of the items will be very common (apples, carrots, grapes), others may be things that the children have not had a lot of exposure to (zucchini slices, pineapple, mangos...) depending on what
 is in season. Therefore we are calling these days, "Try It Tuesday" and \& "Think Healthy Thursday". While students will not be forced to eat these snacks, they will be encouraged to give them a try!


OcTOBER BIRTHDAY LUNCH!

Republic School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

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## ROAR

ROAR REPORT

## by Mr. McRae

Mr. Winter's 5th grade class was greeted with an unexpected surprise on their first outdoor adventure: 4 inches of snow. Despite the challenge of a snowy trail, the students showed teamwork and perseverance to complete the trip safely.

Mr. Zakar and the 6th grade class received a crash course in basic wilderness survival skills and techniques. On this adventure, students learned to use their creative thinking skill when making an emergency shelter using only a tarp and a few pieces of rope. They also used teamwork and collaboration skills while learning how to get a fire started and keeping it going using only a metal match and a few cotton balls.

Mrs. Starr's second grade and Mrs. Campbell's first grade classes both had the opportunity to walk the hiking trail around Curlew State Park. As we walked the trail students learned about hiking safety, wildlife that is unique to areas around lakes, and the movement of the sun in the sky. The highlight of the trip was spotting a bald eagle flying overhead, and most importantly, getting to eat roasted marshmallows by the fire.

A big thank you goes out to Will Folkes and Hardings Hardware for their generous donation of 6 new pairs of snowshoes to the students of Republic Elementary. We continue to accept donations for new and gently used snowshoes. We hope to have enough to take our 6th grade class on their first snowshoe adventure on December 7th. The ROAR program would also like to thank Ferry County Search and Rescue members Sam Jenkins, Bob Venters, and Jim Beckwith for volunteering their time and expertise to the students of Republic Elementary.


## MARK YOUR CAIFNDAR! Importat Datese and Times of or pecoming happenings at Republic School District.

| EVENT OR ACTIVITY | TIME |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Booster Club Holiday Bazaar | Elementary Cafeteria | $9: 00-2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | DATE |
| Pre-K to 4th Grades Mini-Musical | Elementary Gymnasium | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Dec. 8 |
| 5th Grade Performance | Elementary Gymnasium | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Dec. 13 |
| HS/JH Seasonal Concert | Elementary Gymnasium | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Dec. 15 |
| School Board Meeting | Tiger Cafe | $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Dec. 14 |
| EARLY RELEASE | $11: 30 \mathrm{am}$ | Dec. 20 |  |
| NO SCHOOL - Winter Break |  | Dec. 21-30 |  |

IN THE WORLD OF SpORTS!

|  | OPPONENT | LOCATION | GJV | BJV | GV | BV | DATE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Inchelium | HOME | 3:00 | 4:30 | 6:00 | 7:30 | Dec. 2 |
|  | Tonasket | AWAY | 2:30 | 4:00 | 5:30 | 7:00 | Dec. 3 |
|  | Curlew | AWAY | --- | --- | 6:00 | 7:30 | Dec. 6 |
|  | Columbia | AWAY | --- | 4:30 | 6:00 | 7:30 | Dec. 9 |
|  | Oroville | AWAY | --- | 4:30 | 6:00 | 4:30 | Dec. 10 |
|  | Northport | AWAY | --- | --- | 6:00 | 7:30 | Dec. 14 |
|  | Curlew Tournament | AWAY | --- | --- | 3:00 | 4:30 | Dec. 16-17 |
|  | ACH | AWAY | 3:00 | 4:30 | 6:00 | 7:30 | Dec. 20 |
|  | Pateros | HOME | 11:00 | 12:30 | 2:00 | 3:30 | Dec. 29 |

The Wrestling schedule was not available at press time, please follow us on our App \& Facebook page for updates.



Check out our Website, School App, and our Facebook page for updates throughout the year! www.republic309.org


WIAA FOOTBALL'S

## Athlete of the Week!

Congratulations to Freshman David Jackson! "Jackson had a breakout offensive performance in Republic's 48-46 win over Selkirk HS. He rushed for 145 yards on 12 carries and 2 touchdowns. The freshman also caught three passes for 110 yards and two touchdowns, including a 20-yard touchdown reception as time expired to tie the football game. He finished with 12 rushed for 145 yards and two touchdowns, including three catches for 110 yards and two touchdowns."

Republic School District
Report Card Information
Are you interested in knowing how your child's school did on state assessments? How different groups of children performed compared to other schools? You can find out by going to: reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us The Report Card contains information about test results as well as other statistics about the school. To find results for Republic Schools, use the search box in the middle of the webpage to find Republic School District and press go. To find results for your child's school, follow those directions to go to Republic School District, then use the drop down menu to find your school.

1st Term
Congratulations to our students for their academic achievements!

12th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50
Oliver Graham Rodney Hutton Jr. Alexandria Jenkins Caitlyn Jensen JilliAnn Lange Aspen Lytle
Hunter Marshall
Bently Masingale
Azalea Mendoza
Kaidance Miller
Chey' Rickabaugh Eli Rupp
Lindsey Short
Riley Spurgeon
Honors 3.49-3.00
Brenden Gotta Anakka Morgan
Garrett Olsen
Duncan Tonne

11th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50
Brooklyn Campbell
Dennis Cromwell III Dylan Curtis Madeline Dalton Alexander Jackson
Natilee Kersten Cailey Lott Erin Olson Satvinder Singh Isabel Stinson

Honors 3.49-3.00
Aleena Maycumber Sarah McGaffey Daniel Memije Jocelyn Watson


10th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50
Payton Booher Timothy Cromwell Jacob Lange Spencer Regan Lincoln Short Jason Stewart Breanna Taylor

Honors 3.49-3.00
Colton Adams
Cameron Harris
Logan Larsen
Thatcher Noble
Evelyn Phillips

9th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50

> Ember Berndt Alison Koch
> Marley Morton
> Lily Spurgeon

Honors 3.49-3.00
Elizabeth Estrin-Geier
Ginny Ladiges Blakely Olson

8th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50
Layla Carson
Rachel Engelking
Emily Herrera
Harlen Lund Cromwell
Coyote Moore
Jedediah Porter
Salomon Porter
Megan Ricard
Helianthus Songhand
Honors 3.49-3.00
Nathan Donner
Emera Giddings
Reese Titus

7th GRADE
High Honors 4.00-3.50
Iman Abdallah
Allison Burbank
Naudia Butler
Grace Cromwell
Zerenety Lytle
Jessa Rairdan
Camilla Sampsel
Landon Short
Sarah Tonne
Honors 3.49-3.00
Caden Adams Ike Baldwin
Kristen Bennett Ashton Gliddon
Morgan Hendrickson
Logan Kersten
Wyatt Painter
Sage Pinkerton
Haylie Young

## Republic Booster Club

Joining the Booster Club is your chance to be a part of a group that makes a difference in the lives of the children of the Republic Schools. There are many activities the Boosters have supported, from athletic and academic teams to the school's libraries, to the Veterans' Day Breakfast. We strive to assist each of the extra-curricular clubs meet their identified need throughout the year. This can be to purchase new uniforms, attend a team camp, or help defray transportation fees. The Booster Club awards scholarships to college-bound graduates and assists in organizing and funding school trips.

The Booster Club raises money in several ways. Your yearly dues help to support our efforts. In addition, Booster volunteers run Football, Volleyball, Basketball and Baseball concessions.
We organize Turkey Bingo and the annual Holiday Bazaar.
If you would be interested in contributing to this worthy cause, please take the time to fill out the membership form and pay your yearly dues. Teams and clubs with active coach and parent memberships receive priority assistance.
Thank you for supporting our kids.
Name: $\qquad$ Phone: (H) (W)

Address: $\qquad$ City $\qquad$ St Zip
E-mail (please print clearly): Type of Membership: $\qquad$ Student - $\$ 5$ per year Involvement: $\qquad$ Active Volunteer (Bring it on!)
$\qquad$ Individual $\$ 10$ per year $\qquad$ Volunteer (I can help sometimes)
___ Family - \$20 per year
___ Business - $\$ 40$ per year
$\qquad$
Affiliation: Class of $\qquad$ (Scholarship applicants receive extra points if a member)
 Sport(s) Academic Club(s)

Please return form \& dues at any Booster Club event or to: Republic Booster Club, PO Box 761, Republic, WA 99166

## Holiday Bazaar December 3rd, 9-2

We have over 40 Vendors, there will be something for everyone! See you there!

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