

## Local Info



### COVID-19 Cases by Jamie Brown

Covid cases have been on a rise due to the recent holidays. As of January 20, 2022, Anaconda- Deer Lodge County was sitting at 148 active cases. Of those 148 cases, two were hospitalized. There were 21 active cases in people between the ages of five and eighteen. Since Covid began, our state has had a total of 233,059 cases with 16,125 currently active as of January 26, 2022. If these numbers continue to rise, it'll only be a matter of time until the state shuts down again. Our school has already had to go to remote learning for a total of four days, just in 2022. These numbers will only continue to rise unless we as a community do our part. Please try to wear your masks correctly, under the chin and over your nose.

*For more information on Covid use the links below:*

ADLC Public Health Facebook:

- <https://www.facebook.com/ADLCpublichealth>

Montana Response: COVID-19 Map:

- <https://montana.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=7c34f3412536439491adcc2103421d4b>



### The Mask Mandate at Fairmont Hot Springs Resort by Taylor Evans

Fairmont Hot Springs Resort is one of the most familiar places in the Butte, Anaconda area. Due to Covid-19 in 2020, Fairmont closed to the public. Now Fairmont Hot Springs is only open to friends and family of employees and people with memberships or that are staying in the hotel. Was it worth it closing to the public? In my opinion, yes! Fairmont Hot Springs is one of the most popular places in Montana, other than the national parks. Last Monday, Fairmont made a mask mandate that made all Fairmont employees have to wear masks while on duty. I work in the kitchen at Fairmont, and it is a very hot and humid place to work in. While I don't mind wearing a mask, it can be hard to breathe in them when you have a lot of running around to do. Overall, the mask mandate should help people stay safer and help keep businesses open.

# Be Prepared!



## Common Interview Questions by Jaida James

Many students are looking to get a job in high school. It's best to show up prepared when searching for a job. Here are some common interview questions that are asked to help you ace that interview!

### 1. Tell me about yourself?

*Bad Answer:* "I usually don't do anything but sit at home."

*Good Answer:* "I am reliable, outgoing, and enjoy working with others."

### 2. What are your biggest weaknesses?

*Bad Answer:* "I hate being around people, hard to get along with, never on time."

*Good Answer:* "I wouldn't call it a weakness, but something I am working on is leadership skills."

### 3. What are your biggest strengths?

*Bad Answer:* "Um, I don't know. None I guess."

*Good Answer:* "I have a strong work ethic and I work well with customers and coworkers."

### 4. Why did you pick this job?

*Bad Answer:* "Because I needed money."

*Good Answer:* "This job seems like a good challenge and a positive place to work with a great team."

### 5. What was the best and worst part of your last job?

*Bad Answer:* "The best part was it was easy to slack off, and the worst part is I hated my boss and all my coworkers sucked."

*Good Answer:* "The best part of my last job was my coworkers, they were encouraging and great to work with. I wouldn't necessarily call it the worst part, but the management style didn't fit my professional skills."

### 6. What do you like to do outside of work?

*Bad Answer:* "I always come home late and drive around town recklessly."

*Good Answer:* "I enjoy spending time with family and friends."

### 7. Tell me about a time when a customer/coworker got mad with you, how did you handle it?

*Bad Answer:* "I screamed in their face, but they had it coming."

*Good Answer:* "I de-escalated the situation with a calm demeanor and asked them to explain their frustrations so that we could improve the situation together."

### 8. Tell me how others would describe you.

*Bad Answer:* "I don't know, man, probably that I have a bad attitude."

*Good Answer:* "I think people would say I am very honest and forward."

### 9. What can we expect from you in the next 3 months?

*Bad Answer:* "Probably not much, just whatever you ask me to do. I'd probably just put in my two weeks."

*Good Answer:* "You would see me focus on learning the skills required to do this job well."

### 10. What questions do you have for me?

*Bad Answer:* "Uhhh, I can't think of any."

*Good Answer:* "How would your current employees describe your leadership style? What is the current pay scale, and are there opportunities for advancement? What area is the company currently trying to improve on and how could I fit into that plan? What are the manager's daily expectations for current employees? Is there any material I should read or research before starting this job?"

While in an interview, you want to make yourself sound as professional as possible. You want your employer to know how hardworking and trustworthy of an employee you are going to be. Good luck on your interview!



## What it Takes: High School Football by Tanner McDonald

**H**igh School Football is a big thing to me because I want to move on and play college football. But high school football is hard, but it is fun because it makes you pretty strong and gets you in really good shape. It takes a lot of work and you have to have a lot of heart for it. You also have to get along with your teammates or at least get along on the field because a whole team is one family together. Football will take a lot of your summertime and even winter because in football there is no off season unless you're doing a winter sport. Most football players will do track before the season starts so that they can get in shape and ready for the offseason, and track is pretty easy and fun. It takes a lot to play football because it is going to end up stressing you out and school will be mixed in with that, so you have to have a good time schedule. You learn a lot doing football and it makes you tough because it is a rough sport and is one of the last legal sports you can hit people in. Football takes a lot of skill to play and some people are just a natural athlete, but some people it takes them a season or 2 to get good and learn all the things they need you to do.



## The Great Sport of O-mok-see By Madison DeMarois

**W**hat is O-mok-see? O-mok-see originated from the Blackfeet Indian tribe, as they described the style of riding as "oh-mak-see pass-kan" meaning "riding big dance." All the elders in the tribe remember the dance as a striking performance; it was also used as a war ceremony. "Riding big dances" soon became a timed event, with four riders racing against each other to test their speed and skill. With every O-mok-see you participate in you and your horse get more bonded and a better understanding of what you did wrong or right. To become a good rider you need to put in many hours and many miles on your horse to make them more endurance to the fast paced games.

**I**n O-mok-see it really tests how well you can flail each limb at different times, you gotta squeeze with your thighs to stay in your seat, hold on for dear life with your outside hand on the horn while making the turn. You have to kick with the inside leg to keep your horse off the pole and or barrel (property). Kick with the outside leg to encourage your horse to keep going forward. You have to lead them with the rains with your inside hand around the turn so they can suck their ribs in to have a tighter turn and a faster time. Trust me, it's very difficult to be going between 25-30mph (miles per hour) and remember to do all of those things in the matter of 10-15 seconds.

## Entertainment Corner



### Halo Infinite By Tristan Frossard

**Halo Infinite** is the newest installment in the *Halo* franchise, taking place in 2560. Being the most different from the rest of the games. It is an open world game and has the by far longest campaign and yet, ironically, has the fastest speedrun at 29:49. Alongside the difference of type of world. They added a grapple shot that you can use to navigate the world more effectively. There are a few different bosses and some have nicknames already like the second to last boss's real name is Escharum but the community has already nicknamed him *343 bald monkey* as far as I know. People who are actually on the internet, and have more of a life than me, don't murder me for spreading misinformation. Aside from that I don't know much.

I haven't played it yet. I have it but it's still updating, like it had been for the past month and a half. But, I know some random functions of the game like finally being able to use fusion coils, suicide grunts can be thrown by brutes, and they kept the advanced movement from *Halo 5*. FOBs (forward operating base) seem to be the best part about the game. Mostly because, once you unlock the volatile skewer by killing *Ik'Novus The Devourer*. All you need is 5 Marines, 5 skewers, and a razor back for what I personally call the Russian Death Squad. Regardless, *Halo Infinite* looks fun, and I hope that it finishes updating before this article is released.



### Jurassic World: Dominion by Elain Chaney

After delays and a stop-start production *Jurassic World: Dominion* is almost upon us. *Jurassic World: Dominion* is the new *Jurassic* movie. Also, it's the last movie there going to be made by John Scalzi. This is officially the year of *Jurassic World: Dominion*. 2022 sees the trilogy being capped off in a big way with an *Endgame* style conclusion that features not only the returning of Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard but *Jurassic Park* originals Sam Neil, Laura, and Jeff Goldblum. It's really cool that the originals are coming back for the last movie for *Jurassic World: Dominion*. With coronavirus holding back big screen debuts everywhere the *Jurassic World: Dominion* release date has been similarly affected.



### The American Alligator by Thomas Fortier

Alligators are large reptiles and members of the order Crocodylia. The two existing species of alligators and the many worldwide species of crocodiles are closely related and people often confuse one with the other. An alligator is distinguished by its wide rounded snout and black color. When an alligator rests with its jaws closed only its upper teeth are visible. Crocodiles on the other hand, have narrow-pointed snouts and a gray greenish color and both upper and lower teeth visible when the animal's mouth is closed. The American alligator can grow up to 11.2 feet long and weigh nearly half a ton. This animal lives in the southern United States from eastern Texas all the way to North Carolina. They are

usually found in rivers, lakes, ponds, and swamps. Alligators aren't picky about what they eat. They are carnivores so any type of prey is a meal to these reptiles. Alligators may eat fish, mollusks, birds, small mammals and other reptiles. Though alligators are carnivores, they often like to munch on fruit. Don't be swallowed by a 'gator!

## ***Mysterious Mysteries***



**Kap Dwa: The Mysterious Mummy of a Two-Headed Giant** by Trae S.

There isn't a shortage of ancient texts and general evidence to support the idea that giants lived on Earth. You've probably never heard a story like this before. Meet Kap Daw, a two-headed, 3.5-meter-tall giant from patagonia.

The creature's legend begins in 1673, where the giant of over 12 feet with two heads, was captured by Spanish sailors and set captive on their ship. The Spaniards lashed him to the mainmast, but he broke free and during the ensuing battle suffered a fatal injury. They pierced his heart with a spear until his death. But before that the giant had already claimed four Spanish soldiers' lives.

Then what happened to Kap Daw isn't exactly clear, but his naturally mummified body was said to bring to be displayed in various places and sideshows. In 1900, the mummy of Kap Daw entered the Edwardian Horror Circuit, and the years passed from showman to showman, eventually ending up at Weston's Birnbeck Pier in 1914.

After spending the next 45 years on display in North Somerset, England, old Kap Daw was purchased by one "lord" Thomas Howard in 1959, and following a few more hand-offs he ultimately ended up in Baltimore, Maryland, of all places. He now rests in the bizarre collection of all oddities that is Bob's Side Show at the Antique Man Ltd in Baltimore, owned by Robert Gerber and his wife. The mummified remains of Kap-Daw are believed to be a fabricated hoax, although it is still a mystery.