



Lone Rock Record

Lone Rock School, 1112 Three Mile Creek Road, Stevensville MT 59870; phone (406) 777-3314

The State of the Lone Rock District

To: Parents/Guardians and Community Members

I find myself writing to you today to present the state of the Lone Rock School District, which is awesome! The Lone Rock School District is full of dedicated employees that put students first every day of the school year. It is refreshing to help lead such dedicated community minded individuals that genuinely care about the next generation of student leaders. The school district is fully supported by wonderful parents, guardians, and community members. Several years ago the district began the process of identifying capital improvement needs of the district and presented the voters of the Lone Rock area with a plan to upgrade and improve the infrastructure of the Lone Rock School over a decade. I am pleased to report to you that the majority of the repairs and improvements identified on the Vision 20/20 plan have been completed and or will be completed over the next couple of years. The district received an influx of federal dollars to

help with infrastructure as a response to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. That federal money was used in part to help with the maintenance projects that were identified by the Vision 20/20 group. Below is a listing of the items that have been completed over the past two years using a combination of federal money as well as district approved building reserve and general fund dollars!

1. LED Lighting Ballasts and Bulbs replaced - All indoor and outdoor lighting.
2. Middle School, and New Gym Boilers have been updated, maintained, monitored, and greased.
3. Elementary School Heating Units Replaced- Forced Air Furnaces (5), Water Heaters (2), and UV Light Filters attached to all heating and air handling units to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

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4. New Carpet in the Elementary, Classrooms, and Office to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

5. Individual Air Purifiers located in each classroom and gym have been installed and maintained.

6. New Windows in the Elementary 3-5 classrooms have been installed to help with fresh air in the classrooms.

7. Lead based faucets in the elementary school have all been changed out and replaced with lead free receptacles to ensure all have clean drinking water.

8. Bottle filling stations filters have been replaced twice to ensure that all have clean drinking water.

9. Automatic electronic door access controls have been installed across campus to ensure the safety and welfare of all students of the district.

10. All exterior lead based paint in the elementary has been abated, and repainted to ensure safety of all students.

11. Elementary roof water drainage repair has been completed.

12. K-8 Internal Intercom System has been purchased and is in the process of being installed.

13. New Stove/Oven and Washing Machine for the Kitchen has been purchased and installed.

14. The Middle School Computer Lab has been retrofitted with new flexible seating, and white boards to accommodate collaborative group projects with students and teachers.

15. All classrooms have Interactive touch boards that give them the ability to reach all students both in person and remote so that all can have access to high quality instruction everyday.

16. The K-8 math curriculum was updated and professional development for teachers was included to ensure that any learning loss that may have occurred because of COVID-19 would be mitigated.

The above mentioned items were part of the Vision 20/20 group and the scope was to be completed by 2030. However with the additional federal funds the school district was able to complete the list in two years! It is important that the district's voters know of all of the improvements that have been made here at Lone Rock over the past two years and that the district is fiscally responsible with the additional general fund levy that was approved to help fund the projects.

The district was able to stay open during the global pandemic to in-person learning for all students and was able to spread out students into smaller classes and hire four additional teachers to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Because of the success that we have had with the smaller class sizes we are going to try to continue to maintain those levels in some classes while expanding the curricular opportunities in developing a K-Ready program for students who are 4 years old by September 10, 2022. We feel that there is a need to offer Kindergarten programming to students who are 4 years old because of the limited availability of such programming in the Lone Rock area as well as the needs that we are seeing that were caused by the pandemic and the interruption of schooling services for students. We will have one K-Ready class for the 22-23 school year and that will be capped at 15 students. This is essentially the Kindergarten curriculum presented over two academic years. We are accepting in district students first and will then move to accepting out of district students after that to fill the cap at 15 students enrolled in the class.

The state of the Lone Rock School is as strong as ever and we are all here to help teach and prepare students for their lives in high school and beyond. If you are in the area please stop by and see all of the improvements that have been made to the school campus and if you have school aged children that are not enrolled here at the school please stop by and we would love to talk to you about the opportunities that exist for students here at Lone Rock!

Sincerely,

Robert DoBell, Ed.D.
Superintendent/Principal

K-Ready Program - Lone Rock School

2022-2023 School Year

The Lone Rock School will be offering a K-Ready program for students who are four years of age by September 10, 2022 for next school year! This program is limited to 15 students for the 22-23 school year as we are just beginning the program. The Lone Rock School will be accepting in district students first and then will fill slots for out of district students until the 15 cap is reached. The K-Ready programming is essentially a Kindergarten curriculum and will be given to students over two school years. K-Ready students will start the 22-23 school year as 1/2 time students for the first 5 days of school and then after Labor Day will be full time students. The programming is situated so that students will have the opportunity to experience the Kindergarten program through some play activities as well as recess, lunch, snack, and have the ability to use the schools bus service. If you are interested in signing up for the K-Ready program here at the Lone Rock School for the 22-23 school year please call Marcia in the office and get signed up! (406) 777-3314

Lone Rock School

Kindergarten Registration

Date: Friday, April 22, 2022

*****Time: 8:45 AM – 12:15 PM**

Place: Multi-Purpose Room

*****Please call to schedule your student's registration appointment. The appointment will take approximately 20 minutes. Phone 777-3314 ext. 200**

MUST BRING: 1) Birth certificate and 2) Immunization records

Registration is not complete without the birth certificate and immunization records.

Students must be 5 years old on or before September 10, 2022 in order to enroll.

Lone Rock School Board Forum -

Tuesday, April 19, 2022 6:00-7:00pm

The Lone Rock School Board has four candidates running for two open seats for the school mail ballot election on May 3rd. The Stevensville American Legion and Ed Sperry will be hosting a school board forum on Tuesday April 19, 2022 in the Lone Rock Middle School from 6:00-7:00pm. The regularly scheduled April board meeting will follow beginning at 7:00pm. Please come out and listen to the candidates as they discuss their qualifications to serve on the Lone Rock School Board. The four candidates are Paula Short, Wayne Stanford, Kerry Mason, and Kevin Hammons.

Open Employment Positions

at Lone Rock School

The Lone Rock School District has multiple open positions for the 2022-2023 school year available and they are listed below! We would love for you to come work at the school with a dedicated team of individuals that are shaping future leaders every day! More information on the positions can be found on the school website at <https://www.lonerockschool.org/>.

1. We have an open position for an elementary certified teacher!
2. We have 3 open paraprofessional positions for the 2022-2023 school year!
3. We have an open position in the kitchen as an assistant cook!
4. We need substitute teachers!

Tidbits from the Lunch Room

Sending happy and healthy wishes from the Lone Rock Lunch Room! The kitchen crew wants to first send out a GREAT BIG Thank you to all our students and staff who tell us each day how much they love our meals. The "Happy Food Dance" is one of the best moments of our day!

Our entire staff wants to also send out how grateful we are for some equipment that we were able to receive this year. The new 6 burner Stove with a Griddle top is such a joy to cook on. Happy Food Dance was had by all on grilled cheese day! Every kitchen is not complete, without a working washing machine. Our new washing machine has been a great addition to our kitchen, and yes, our student helper enjoys doing laundry on site without any worries of a breakdown!

Our year has been focusing on being healthy and thankful to be back in school on campus! To encourage this and positive behavior we started a new incentive program in the Cafeteria called the "Golden Tray Award". Every classroom can earn Golden Rocket Pride Tickets by understanding Lunch Room rules. The tickets will be drawn, each quarter; the winning class will have a special lunch table with an extra special surprise and treat. They also get to display the Golden Tray in their classroom until the next assembly. We hope to next year add to the award and maybe have a completely special meal also. Our staff has as much fun preparing the special day as the kids do earning that day!

Speaking of staff we are disappointed to announce the retiring of our superb staff member Brandy Hardy, who has been with the school 16 years. We wish her well and know that the next phase of her life will be an exciting rewarding opportunity for her and her family. However, she will be missed more than she knows.

Next year Lone Rock School Nutrition will be looking for a new member of our Kitchen team. Please feel free to contact our school with inquiries or contact Cindy Jarvie, Food Service Director with questions about our team of caring, homemade food making, time flying, fun crew!

Final note from our kitchen to yours: School Nutrition will be returning to the normal Free, Reduced, and Paid program next school year. As the program returns to an original food program just a reminder that Free, Reduced, and Paid applications will be going home with all students. Please keep a look out for them and return them to the Lone Rock School office. Every form filled in no matter where a family qualifies helps with the funding to our school.

The lunch room wants to again thank everyone for a wonderful



Cindy Jarvie

school year and hope everyone has a great summer break! We cannot wait to see you all next year!

And that is how the cookie crumbles....

Contracted Cleaning Bids Open for the Lone Rock School

The Lone Rock School is accepting bids for the contracted cleaning of the school district for the 2022-2023 school year! If you are interested in the position details please contact Superintendent Robert DoBell at the school (406) 777-3314. The contract is for labor only and the scope includes two people for at least five hours per day, five days a week for a term of August 2022-May 2023. The school district provides all of the cleaning products and tools necessary to complete the position. Interested companies need to have insurance, proper licensing, and be bonded.

We Love to Read!

Students at Lone Rock School love to read! Our school was recently sponsored by the Montana Masons to participate in their Kindles for Kids reading program. Students read books at home and school, filled out pink reading slips to enter the drawing for a kindle. We had hundreds of reading slips turned in by students and twelve lucky students won a kindle! Congratulations to those students and to everyone who read and read and then read some more! Our school would also like to thank our local Masonic Lodge for coordinating this program with us and for coming to the awards assembly to deliver the kindles.

Meet our Staff...

Mrs. Williamson

My name is Dawn Williamson. I am pleased to be working at Lone Rock School. I graduated from The University of Montana with a Bachelor's in Education. I enjoy teaching and learning new things. I love to see students achieve and become excited about learning. I have worked with children for over ten years. I am a Montana native. I enjoy life with my husband, daughter, and four dogs. I like to be outdoors, hike, explore new places, and spend time with my family and dogs. I enjoy time gardening and canning vegetables. I am very excited to be a part of Lone Rock School and look forward to a great year.



Mrs. Laga

My name is Debbie Laga and I am one of the first grade teachers at Lone Rock Elementary. I have been teaching here for the past four years as the music teacher, but this year I went back to teaching First Grade. I have spent most of my career teaching Kindergarten and First Grade and I love it! My family and I moved to Montana from Idaho, seven years ago. My husband always wanted to live in the Bitterroot Valley, so when a job opportunity came up, it was a dream come true! We love hiking, kayaking, camping, and horse packing in these beautiful mountains!



Mrs. Grant

My name is Crystal Grant and I teach kindergarten here at Lone Rock School. I have two daughters, 10 and 15 years old who are Lone Rock Rockets! I was a substitute teacher for several years before earning my teaching degree. I began my education journey a "few" years ago and life took me in a different direction. With the guidance of the University of Montana Western, I was able to finish my degree completely online and work as a sub at the same time. I help with PTM and I also run the Booster Club. My passion is literacy and I hope to create the love of reading in my young students. I have several ideas written for a children's book but I just need to choose one! I love being a part of our community and hope to be here for many years.



Mrs. Olin

Hi! My name is Payton Olin. I am a fifth grade teacher at Lone Rock School. I student taught in the middle school before graduating in May from the University of Montana with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. I am a Hamilton High School graduate, and I have lived in the Bitterroot Valley for most of my life. My hobbies include photography, volleyball, basketball, and track. I also enjoy spending time outdoors, especially in the summer, and hanging out with my family and friends. I recently got married to my "high school sweetheart", Spencer. I am very excited to be a part of the Lone Rock community, and even more excited to be a part of the teaching profession. Go Rockets!



Ms. Wanner

As the School Psychologist, Wendy Wanner helps the Lone Rock team support student learning through assessment, observation, and consultation. She also collaborates with the schools Multi-Tiered Systems of Support teams and assists in creating behavior intervention plans. As a member of the Bitterroot Valley Education Cooperative, she also works with the Victor and Darby school districts.



Mrs. Bridges

Hi! My name is Mrs. Bridges!

I was born in Missoula and was fortunate enough to grow up in the Bitterroot Valley, attending Florence Carlton School Kindergarten through twelfth grade. I have a large and loving family, and spent much of my childhood surrounded by cousins, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and the world's best parents. Much of this time was spent at our family's restaurant, The Kings Hat, in Lolo. I graduated with a degree in Elementary Education from The University of Montana in 2010. I spent my first year out of college working as a Paraeducator at Target Range Elementary in Missoula. I was then offered a 1st Grade teaching position at Three Forks Elementary in 2011, and stayed at that school until the end of the 2019-20 school year. I was so very lucky to be offered a teaching position at Lonerock that fall, and have since fallen in love with this school. In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my family, running, hiking, fishing, skiing, reading, crafting, doing work, watching sporting events, camping, really anything outside, and playing with our dogs. My husband is a nurse at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula, and works with patients coming out of heart surgery. My stepson is a senior at Stevensville High School, and will be attending The University of Montana this fall, majoring in pharmacy.



Ms. Barthels

Hello! My name is Karly Barthels and I am so excited to join the Lone Rock Community as K-8 Music Teacher at Lone Rock School. My family and I moved to the Bitterroot Valley when I was in 2nd grade, almost 18 years ago. I attended the University of Montana and received my Bachelor's degree in Music Education this last December 2020. I was beyond blessed to be offered a job at Lone Rock so I could complete my student teaching while simultaneously starting as a 1st year teacher. It has been a phenomenal experience and the staff at Lone Rock have been so supportive and encouraging. This year in Lone Rock Music we have explored colorful music from around the world and traditional music from our marvelous USA. We have had so much fun putting on concerts this year and the support of our Lone Rock Community has been overwhelming. Music is so important in our world and I hope to nurture a love and appreciation of all kinds of music with this next generation. When I'm not teaching I'm probably hiking in the Bitterroot Mountains, snowboarding at Lost Trail Pass, paddle-boarding, reading a good book, working on an art project, learning an international recipe, gardening, or spending time with my family and friends.



Ms. Chaffin

Hello! My name is Tricia Chaffin, and I am Lone Rock's ELA teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. I earned my bachelor's degree in English + Creative Writing in 2019, and my master's degree in English Teaching in 2021 from the University of Montana. Besides teaching Introductory College Writing in 2020-2021, this is my first year of teaching. Words have the power to shape an entire generation and zeitgeist, and it is my sincere hope that I can empower students to find their authentic voice and use their words for good. My passion is writing, and when I'm not teaching you can find me writing speculative fiction such as science fiction and horror. Please feel free to reach out to me at pchaffin@lonerock-school.org with any questions or book suggestions!



STEM-inists - Never Stop Questioning

Submitted By: Julie Bachman – 2nd Grade Teacher



This year, I applied for a grant through Donor's Choose. This is a program that helps teachers acquire the materials they need to enhance classroom instruction by people (donors) contributing to a project that has been submitted.

My project was called, "STEM-inists – Never Stop Questioning," and the cost was \$210.00. It was paid for by three (3) families in my classroom, and one (1) other contributor that I don't even know! How cool is that?

I thought it would be great idea to get materials that would increase our STEM skills. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. STEM education is very important for children at a young age because it helps to develop critical thinking, increases science literacy, and provides children with the skills necessary for the next generation of innovators!

We use our new STEM bins as learning centers during our Math time as an individual task or a group/pair task. My students have increased creativity, problem-solving, reasoning, perseverance and fine motor skills using real-world challenges.

These STEM learning bins have been the perfect vehicle to drive my students into a brand new learning zone that has knocked their socks off! They love to develop, build and learn, and I love to watch them grow!

Mrs. Olin's 5th Grade Class Memories

My favorite memory at Lone Rock School is the first day of kindergarten when I met my teacher Mrs. Bachman. The others memory is this year 2022 every Wednesday when we go into the kindergarten class to do fun activities. **By: Dakota Shearer**

My favorite memory at Lone Rock is my first day of kindergarten. My teacher was very nice. She is one of my favorite teachers. Also maybe meeting Mr. DoBell. At first I was scared, but now he is my favorite principal. **By: Sonja Schaefer**

My favorite parts about Lone Rock School is my 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Olin, our principal, Mr.DoBell, and especially the lunch ladies, including Ms.Marcia. My favorite memory is when we went to the farm fair in 4th grade. It was very fun. **By: Trinity Amt**

One of my favorite Lone Rock memories is probably in 2021 when we went to the Stevensville Farm Fair. It was a very stormy day, and our class had to eat lunch in the high school. Then we could not find the other classes for a while. There were lots of laughs that day. It is one of my favorite memories by far. **By: Abbigail Peterson**

My favorite things about Lone Rock School are how nice the teachers are because they are always there for help. The food in the lunchroom is really good! The farm fair was really, really fun. The specials teachers are also nice, kind, and I learn a lot every day. Even on the weekends, I can't wait for Monday. The list goes on. THIS IS THE BEST SCHOOL EVER!!
By: Waylon Jochim

My favorite memory at Lone Rock school was the beginning of the year 2021-2022, when I met one of my favorite teachers, Mrs.Olin. She is awesome. She was always there for me when I needed help. She always does fun activities with us. I also loved it when she comes outside and plays games with us. She is like the teacher I have always wanted. She is nice, kind, brave, awesome, helping, and she wears cool clothes. I absolutely love my favorite teacher. **By: Caitlyn Grant**

My favorite part of Lone Rock is Mr.DoBell. He is funny and nice. I'm so happy he's here. I liked Miss Jarvies because she was nice too. When I was in Miss Javies' class it was a 1/2 combo class and I had such cool kids who followed the rules and were always there for me. I loved fourth grade when we went to the farm fair. It was fun. The best year is this year. Mrs. Olin is so nice. We have great students. This is the year I love the most.
By: Elizabeth King

My favorite thing about Lone Rock is the people and the food. My favorite meal is the egg rolls that the amazing lunch ladies make. My favorite memory is in fourth grade when my class went to the farm fair because it was so fun and we got to eat homemade ice cream. **By: Juniper Wesmit**

My favorite thing at Lone Rack is the food and how nice the lunch ladies are. The food is homemade. My favorite is mac and cheese. And I like Mr.DoBell because he is nice and a Griz fan. **By: Katey Short**

My favorite thing is spending time with my friends and my teachers. My favorite memory is my birthday in 2nd grade. **By: Gunner Howe**

Lone Rock Middle School Ski and Snowboard 2022



By 8th Graders:
Madisyn Nentwig and Hailey Volenstine

The Lone Rock Middle School had a successful 2022 ski and snowboard season! After four amazing Fridays at Lost Trail ski resort we can say that it was an amazing experience for students and Lone Rock staff. These trips are a fun way for all students to learn new skills and techniques. We can say with confidence that this program is one of the most looked forward to events for the Lone Rock community. Lost Trail ski resort offered us amazing lessons with experienced coaches. Kids were excited for their opportunity to explore the mountain. Students and teachers can't wait for the 2023 ski and snowboard season!!!

Lone Rock Rockets



Track Schedule- 2022

April	Day	HOST	Place	Time	Departure
4	Monday	1 st Practice DAY- LRMS	LONE ROCK	3:40- 5:00 M, T, TH, F 2:40- 4 W	
22	Friday	Lone Rock/ Victor/ Darby	Hamilton	9 am	7:45 am
27	Wednesday	Frenchtown	Frenchtown	9 am	7:30 am
May					
4	Wednesday	Hamilton	Hamilton	9 am	7:45 am
13	Friday	Stevensville/ Florence	Corvallis	9 am	7:45 am
13	Friday	Award ceremony @Dairy Queen		4:00	3:30

Lone Rock School | 2022-2023 CALENDAR

AUGUST '22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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15-19 Registration
18-19 Alt. PIR
22-23 – PIR (Required)
24- 1st Day of School
24-30- K-Ready and
Kindergarten ½ Time
31-2- Ravalli County Fair

FEBRUARY '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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7 – 100th Day of School

**20- President’s Day
No School**

SEPTEMBER '22						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	

5 Labor Day- No School
6-K-Ready and
Kindergarten Full Time
7-Open House 6:00-7:00
21-Fall Pictures
28- Midquarter Q1

MARCH '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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1- Midquarter Q3
8- PTC 3:00-7:00pm
9- PTC 4:00-7:00
10- No School
31- End Q3

OCTOBER '22						
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**19-All Valley PIR (Victor)
No School Students**

20-21 MEA -No School

26-Picture Retakes

APRIL '23						
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3-Start Q4
**7-10 Easter Break- No
School**
19- Individual and
Group Class Spring
Pictures
28- Midquarter Q4

NOVEMBER '22						
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2- End of 1st Quarter
3- Start of Q2
9- PTC 3:00-6:00
10- PTC 4:00-7:00
10- Veterans Day Assembly
11-No School
23-25 No School Thanksgiving

MAY '23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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24- 8th Grade Graduation
**26- Last Day of School
11:00am Dismissal**

26- Post Records Day
1:00-4:00pm

DECEMBER '22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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15 Midquarter Q2

22-2 Christmas Break

INFORMATION:

- M,T,R,F Dismissal 3:30
- Wednesday 2:30 Out
- Board Meetings 3rd Tuesday at 7:00pm

174 Instructional Days 1,095 Hours



JANUARY '23						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

3-Return to School
16- MLK Day No School
27- End Q2/Sem 1
30- Start Q3

School Website:

www.lonerockschool.org

