



Cove School Newsletter

School Launches *Thrillshare*

This summer, Cove School is undergoing two major technology upgrades simultaneously. First, the school is upgrading and changing platforms for its core database—the Student Information System. The transition from the old system, *Schoolmaster*, to the new, *Synergy*, has been underway for months and is expected to be completed on June 24. Secondly, the school is revising its website and social network presence through the use of *Thrillshare*.

Thrillshare manages all online interactions between Cove School and stakeholders. It allows the school to craft a unique identity across web, mobile, social media, and alerts with a single, simple-to-use tool. *Thrillshare* helps the entire staff manage communication across all devices and social networks people use today. *Thrillshare* lowers the technical barrier so that anyone at the school can share information. Through *Thrillshare*, staff can simultaneously post information to the school website, *Twitter*, *Facebook*, the Cove Leopard Mobile App, via text message, or even via voice message. Of course, a staff member can also choose just one or any combination of platforms to communicate. To make this effort effective; parents, students and other stakeholders will need the Cove Leopard App on their mobile device.

As part of this effort, the school has just launched a new website which aligns with its mobile app. The mobile app will soon be available at Google Play and the Apple App Store. I encourage you to visit our website where you will soon find links to download our app or just search for Cove Leopard App. Once you download the Cove Leopard App, you will have real-time access to newsfeeds, updates, event calendars, lunch menus, sports schedules, and more right on your phone! According to recent research data, nearly twice the number of Google searches were from mobile devices last year. The world has gone mobile and now so has Cove School District!



As we work through the summer to get all communications platforms functioning properly and as we update all information, we request your patience. By July, all platforms and links should be functioning and I believe you will be impressed with our efforts to share information. Before fall, parents and staff will be asked to verify and update their contact information in order to assist us in properly including all relevant numbers in the alerts system. As we transition to this platform for communication, we welcome feedback, comments, and suggestions to make our website and app better. Just let me know your thoughts via email at earl.pettit@covesd.org

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Special points of interest:

- ☺ Aptegy Thrillshare
- ☺ Charter Lottery
- ☺ Cafeteria Planning
- ☺ Music



Approved Budget

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District Business



Charter Lottery: 56% Acceptance Rate

On June 3rd, Cove Charter School conducted its annual lottery for enrollment of new charter student applicants. 56% of the applicants were immediately admitted with the remaining 44% placed on waiting lists. According to the Charter agreement, the school has a self-defined capacity of 306 students and is now expecting to open in the fall with 290 (95% of capacity). Following the lottery, only four grade levels have a remaining waiting list: Kindergarten, 1st, 7th, and 8th. Until October 1, students may apply to fill any vacancy which may exist and the school will also admit students from the waiting list as openings may occur. Cove School does not accept out-of-district enrollment of students after October 1st each year.

Cafeteria Project Update

Cove School District is preparing to request bids for the cafeteria project pending a few hoops from local government planning and permits. It is anticipated that the construction will begin during the summer with the intent to have the new facility open for the 20-21 school year.

During construction, it is anticipated that some existing parking will not be accessible and a portion of the elementary playfield will be partitioned and closed. It is also anticipated that some summer activities may be relocated to the high school football field although the south little league baseball field will remain in operation. Please be patient next year as we work to bring lasting improvements to the campus.

Board Member Elections

Cove School District congratulates and welcomes newly elected Board Member Hannah Johnson. Running unopposed, Hannah Johnson was elected to position #1. Also running unopposed, Steve McLean was re-elected to position #3. These terms begin on July 1 and run through June 30, 2023. Positions 2, 4, and 5 will next face elections in May of 2021.

SuperView



On May 8 around 25,000 students, teachers and parents showed up at Portland's Tom McCall Waterfront Park dressed in red demanding smaller class sizes, more social services for students, and generally more money. They referred to the much reported "education funding crisis" in Oregon, then walked off the job disrupting the educational process. Not surprisingly, not a single teacher in our region was picketing for more money and not a single teacher in our region walked off the job on May 8th. While this may ultimately be a reflection of the political climate and possibly just reflect the differences between the metropolitan Willamette Valley and rural Eastern Oregon, I believe this reflects a difference in values. Before you launch a twitter storm, let me explain my thinking.

Budget Hearing: June 18

Cove School District Budget Committee approved the proposed budget with minor adjustments last month. The next step is for the Board to hold a public hearing scheduled for June 18th at 6:30 PM. It is expected that the Board will adopt the budget following any additional modifications they may make that same evening. Increased revenues and careful management over many years has allowed the Board to take on capital improvements without soliciting additional funds from the local taxpayer. The budget hearing notice may be viewed on the following page.

Nearly non-existent is the cry for smaller class sizes in Eastern Oregon. When money was tight, schools in this region kept focus on the primary instructional mission and no school superintendent or school board would allow class sizes to grow—because the community would not stand for it! As the scope of services schools provide becomes broader and strays further from the primary purpose of schools, lack of resources has become a real-world problem for many Oregon schools east of the Cascades. Conversely, while schools in Portland are complaining because they have only one mental health counselor per 400 students, most Eastern Oregon Schools don't have any on staff. Most Eastern Oregon Schools do not have a health clinic, provide free meals for all students, or place an athletic trainer or counselor in every school. These are commonplace on the west side of the state—the side which does not have enough money in their school budgets. I don't argue that these services are not needed, I just wonder how and when it became the schools' responsibility to provide these support services for free. Schools are about teaching and learning. As schools take on more and more of the feeding, clothing, transporting, mental health services, health care, and policing of children, the purpose of school becomes redefined and broadened—that can be an expensive proposition. ~ Earl Pettit

FORM ED-1

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Cove School District #15 Board of Directors will be held on June 18, 2019 at 6:30 pm at 803 Main St., Cove, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 as approved by the Cove School District Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 803 Main St., Cove, Oregon between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES

TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount Last Year 2017-2018	Adopted Budget This Year 2018-2019	Approved Budget Next Year 2019-2020
Beginning Fund Balance	\$2,168,685	\$2,154,000	\$2,590,500
Current Year Property Taxes, other than Local Option Taxes	666,529	674,200	690,300
Current Year Local Option Property Taxes	0	0	0
Other Revenue from Local Sources	209,732	170,500	226,700
Revenue from Intermediate Sources	9,287	11,000	11,000
Revenue from State Sources	2,808,617	2,966,060	3,602,565
Revenue from Federal Sources	243,930	141,700	194,200
Interfund Transfers	140,888	1,631,530	2,060,600
All Other Budget Resources			
Total Resources	\$6,247,668	\$7,748,990	\$9,375,865

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION

Salaries	\$1,671,969	\$1,910,340	\$1,947,020
Other Associated Payroll Costs	1,048,993	1,287,250	1,427,100
Purchased Services	448,666	581,000	783,600
Supplies & Materials	292,684	560,856	449,750
Capital Outlay	174,839	1,030,000	1,915,000
Other Objects (except debt service & interfund transfers)	68,575	59,575	311,625
Debt Service*	0	0	0
Interfund Transfers*	140,888	1,631,530	2,060,600
Operating Contingency	0	504,920	481,170
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance & Reserves	2,401,054	183,519	0
Total Requirements	\$6,247,668	\$7,748,990	\$9,375,865

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY FUNCTION

1000 Instruction	\$2,316,576	\$2,755,596	\$2,944,370
FTE	24.48	25.66	25
2000 Support Services	1,275,720	2,557,425	3,504,525
FTE	7.92	7.92	7
3000 Enterprise & Community Service	113,430	116,000	130,200
FTE	2.00	2.00	2.00
4000 Facility Acquisition & Construction			
FTE			
5000 Other Uses			
5100 Debt Service*			
5200 Interfund Transfers*	140,888	1,631,530	2,315,600
6000 Contingency	0	504,920	481,170
7000 Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance	2,401,054	183,519	0
Total Requirements	\$6,247,668	\$7,748,990	\$9,375,865
Total FTE	34.40	35.58	34.00

* not included in total 5000 Other Uses. To be appropriated separately from other 5000 expenditures.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES and SOURCES OF FINANCING **

This budget is based on a conservative projected enrollment of 295 students K-12 and provides fiscally conservative yet robust programs for our students. This budget allows us to maintain current staffing & expand programs to benefit students, update curriculum, and commit significant resources toward capital improvement projects.

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

	Rate or Amount Imposed	Rate or Amount Imposed	Rate or Amount Approved
Permanent Rate Levy (Rate Limit 4.8120 per \$1,000)	4.8120	4.8120	4.8120
Local Option Levy			
Levy For General Obligation Bonds	\$0	\$0	\$0

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1
General Obligation Bonds	\$0	\$0
Other Bonds	\$0	\$0
Other Borrowings	\$0	\$0
Total	0	\$0



Elementary Classroom News



Mr. Gustavson's 6th Grade

Outdoor School was fantastic. While at Camp Hancock, in Fossil, Oregon, the 6th grade learned a lot about. We took a handful of different classes: Survival, Rocks and Minerals, Reptiles and Amphibians, Team Challenge, Eco-Games. We took night hikes and climbed mountains. But now that it is all said and done I believe the most valuable lessons the students took with them after our 3 day adventure were about themselves and their friendships and their core values. Experiences like this are informative and bonding and I was glad to have experienced Camp Hancock with this group of students. ~Mr. Gustavson



6th Grade: Outdoor School at sunset near Fossil

Mrs. Tucker's 5th Grade

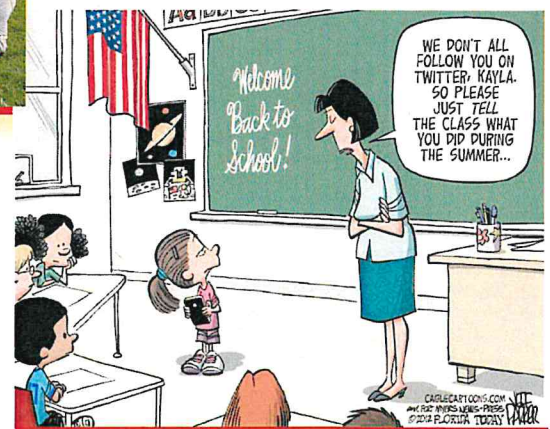
As the year comes to an end and we reflect on our accomplishments, we have all agreed that the year went by quickly. 5th graders stayed busy during the final quarter of school. Not only did we wrap a beautiful Maypole and participate in Cove Play Day but we also completed state testing in four subject areas. We finished our 30 Book Challenge with many students earning bragging rights for reading over 30 chapter books this year! Our top reader logged 109 books! In the final week we enjoyed swimming, writing recipes for success for next year's 5th graders, and opening our time capsules from the beginning of the year. I look forward to watching this class continue to grow as they advance through their school years. ~Mrs. Tucker



4th Grade visited the Tamastslikt Cultural Institute

Mrs. Frank's 4th Grade

Our 4th - grade class had a very busy spring! We worked hard to complete our state testing and had some enjoyable learning experiences as well. Some highlights include the annual Cove Play Day and swimming at Cove Warm Springs Pool. We also visited Tamastslikt Cultural Institute where we toured the museum and participated in an art class presentation. We are ready for summer and wish everyone a very fun and safe break! Mrs. Frank



Have a Great Summer!

School Resumes August 19



Elementary Classroom News



Mrs. Williams' 2nd Grade

Second grade finished the school year strong! We studied the three states of matter in science, went on a science field trip to Camp Cove with our Imbler Science Buddies, created some outstanding pieces of art and used all of our reading, writing, language and technology skills to bring historical figures to life during our Living Wax Museum. It was a busy and amazing school year. I would like to give a special thanks to all of the parents who took time to support us on field trips and in the classroom. I am confident this group of kiddos will continue to do great things. Watch out 3rd grade, here they come! ~Mrs. Williams



ODOT Teaches
Kindergarten Bike Safety

Lynda Frank Retires



After 20 years serving the children of Cove, Mrs. Frank announced her retirement this week. We will miss you Lynda!

Mrs. Wright's Kindergarten

Kindergarten has had a busy spring, filled with a lot of science fun. We incubated and hatched seven adorable ducklings, held an egg drop contest, and built ramps, swings and tops to learn about force and motion. This happy group of children can read, write and solve math problems like experts. They have enjoyed writing "How-To" papers, and researching and writing about favorite animals. They love school, especially recess, P.E., choosing time, math, science and story time. With substantial daily help from Mrs. Noble, our reading specialist, all children made significant growth in reading and have a head start on first grade. A special shout-out to Tristan Shields-Marrs, who had 100% attendance this year, Emme Smith, who completed all of kindergarten IXL Language Arts, and Zane Larvik, who read 675 books. Have a great summer break! ~Mrs. Wright



1st Grade Visited Rovey's Farm

Mrs. Thomas' 1st Grade

Do you have what it takes to be a farmer?

Rovey's were kind enough to host a first grade field trip to their goat farm and we learned a lot about local farmers in our community. Eyes opened wide when we discussed the responsibilities one must take on in order to operate a successful business. **Yes, goats even have to be milked on Christmas!** Students were able to see and touch adult animals and their offspring, witnessing genetic similarities. We even got to sample some of the final product, GOAT CHEESE is DELICIOUS! Much discussion was had about who would be future farmers???

~Mrs. Thomas



Calendar Color Key	
	Winter/Spring Breaks
	Teacher Only Days
	Holidays
	School Day

Cove School

Cove School District 15

2019/2020 School Calendar

Student Days: 146/148
Teacher Days: 155
Holidays: 6 (in addition to July 4)

August 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Student Days: 8 Teacher Days: 11 Holidays: 0

September 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat
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29	30					

Student Days: 16 Teacher Days: 16 Holidays: 1

October 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Student Days: 19 Teacher Days: 20 Holidays: 0

November 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Th	Fri	Sat
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Student Days: 15 Teacher Days: 15 Holidays: 1

December 2019

Sun	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Student Days: 12 Teacher Days: 13 Holidays: 1

August

7/28-8/3...OSAA Moratorium Week

7/31-8/4... Union County Fair
15... Elem Back To School Night
15-16... Teacher PD
17... Cherry Festival
19... OSAA Practice Start
19...First Day of School
20... Regular Board Meeting

September

2... Labor Day
17... Regular Board Meeting

October

11.State In-Service, Teacher PD
15... Regular Board Meeting
17...End of 1st Quarter (35)
17... Elementary Professional Development
25... Parent Conferences

November

11...Veteran's Day
18... OSAA Practice Start
19... Regular Board Meeting
27... Student Early Release
28... Thanksgiving

December

10... Holiday Program
17... Regular Board Meeting
19... End of 2nd Qtr. (35) and Semester (70)
20... Teacher Professional Dev
23 - Jan 3...Christmas Break
25...Christmas Holiday

January

1... New Year's Day
6... Classes Resume
20... MLK Jr. Holiday
21... Regular Board Meeting

February

17... Presidents' Day
18... Regular Board Meeting

March

2... OSAA Practice Start
17... Regular Board Meeting
19... End of 3rd Quarter (42)
19... Elementary Professional Development
23-27... Spring Break
30... Classes Resume

April

3... Parent Conferences
21... Regular Board Meeting

May

7... May Day
14...Play Day
19... Regular Board Meeting
25... Memorial Day Holiday
29...Student Early Release: Last Day of School
29... End of Qtr(36); Sem (78)
30... Graduation

June

1... Teacher Work Day
... EOLS
16... Regular Board Meeting

January 2020

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Student Days: 15 Teacher Days: 15 Holidays: 1

February 2020

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Student Days: 15 Teacher Days: 15 Holidays: 1

March 2020

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Student Days: 14 Teacher Days: 14 Holidays: 0

April 2020

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Student Days: 18 Teacher Days: 19 Holidays: 0

May 2020

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Student Days: 16 Teacher Days: 16 Holidays: 1

June 2020

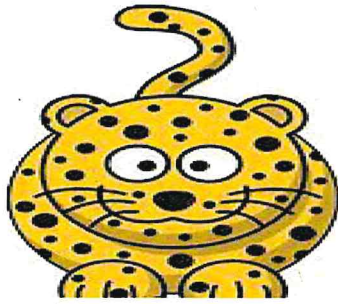
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Student Days: 0 Teacher Days: 1 Holidays: 0

Who's Who for the 19-20 School Year

FBLA Officers:

Haiden Wiggins—President
Skyler Perkins—Vice President



ASB Officers:

Kelly Winebrenner—President
Skyler Perkins—Vice President
Kailee Mansfield—Secretary



FFA Officers:

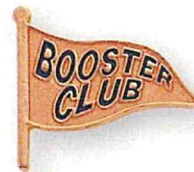


Riley Lindsey—President
Haiden Wiggins, Vice—President
Maggie Frisch—Secretary
Carlee Porter—Treasurer
Kiel Bolton—Reporter
Braden Dickenson—Sentinel
Quinn Dobbs—Historian



"Don't let yesterday take up too much of today." Will Rogers

Cove Kindergarten CLASS OF 2031



Booster Club

Deb Hansen—President
Kim Svaty—Vice Pres.
Tricia Tucker—Secretary
Dian Frisch—Treasurer



Summer Events:

June 18, Budget Hearing
June 18, Board Meeting
July 17, Board Meeting
Jul31- Aug3, County Fair
Aug. 19, School Resumes



Classroom News: Jr./Sr. High School

Math: Classes finished the year strong, taking state testing, finals in classes, getting college credit completed and planning for next year. Algebra & Geometry finished the year with "Escape Boxes". They solved math problems from many disciplines & earned information to unlock multiple locks on toolboxes. The first group to get all their locks open got to keep the prizes inside. ~Mrs. Murchison

Social Studies: It is often said that history repeats itself. This is not entirely true. While cyclical in nature, history is never an exact repeat. The ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus argued the only constant in life is change. Our society, being as free as it is, is subject to constant change. Some of those changes we celebrate, some make us long for yesterday. It is important to understand and appreciate the similarities between past and current events so we can secure a brighter future for all.

There have been lots of changes recently here at Cove school. To mention a few, a new science teacher, kindergarten teacher, and fifth grade teacher joined us last year, and we welcomed a new language arts teacher this year. We have had new aides to help our students in numerous and invaluable ways, and new administrative leadership. I taught three new and challenging courses, and many other teachers accepted new challenges as well. Next year will bring more changes, challenges, and new faces. Although our team members and our duties may not be entirely the same, we remain committed to serve our students, their families, and the community to the best of our ability. ~Mr. Hubbard



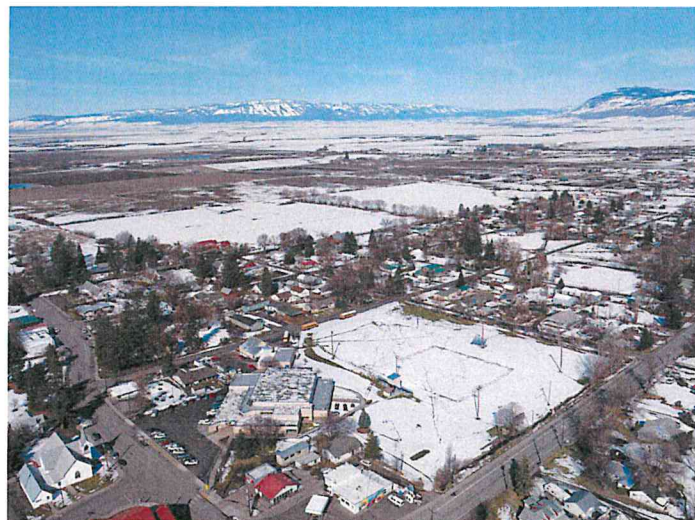
Math class opens escape box

Stevens Sets 3000M Record: 8:38.20



Tim Stevens: Champion
& State Record Holder

On May 17th at McArthur Field in Monmouth, Cove Senior Tim Stevens drew a rousing ovation after racing the clock in the 3,000 meters and running 8:38.20 to break the meet record in the OSAA/OnPoint Community Credit Union 1A boys track championships. Stevens is also the reigning 2A/1A cross country champion -- a race he won by 42 seconds -- running for Union/Cove.



Drone Pilots Earn Their Wings

Fly With Us!

Several in-flight videos are posted on the Cove Drones YouTube Channel. Search "Cove Drones" on YouTube and see some flights.



High School Principal's Podium

EXCELLENT

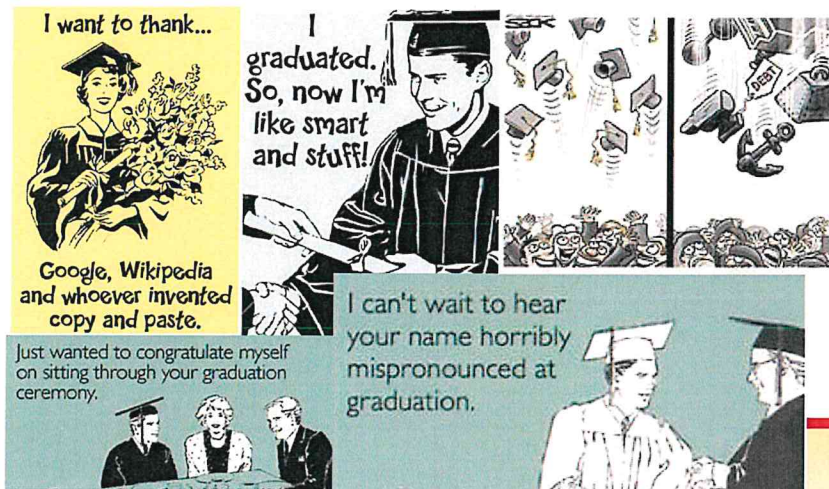


We finished off the 2019-2020 school year with graduation on June, 1. We had 27 graduates receive diplomas including four students who had perfect 4.0 grade point averages. It's always interesting to hear about the future plans of students as they complete high school and venture to the next step on life's journey. Some have plans of college or trade school, some plan to go to work and others have either committed to or are considering military service.

Like those before them, this year's graduates left Cove High School with a bright future ahead of them. Each year I hear comments from parents and guests as they leave graduation complementing our staff and school. This year I also heard similar comments from staff members noting the accomplishments, growth and maturity in some of these students.

Students learn academic skills, problem solving and social skills at school, but one of the things that Cove School does a very good job at is instilling confidence in our students and a "can do" attitude. I see it often during the school year including at our recent "Mr. Leopard" contest and the seniors who volunteered to speak at their graduation are good examples of these confident and skilled students.

Graduating a group of good students and citizens is no accident. It's a group effort with a strong K-12 faculty that works well as a team, good leadership and good parent and community support. I am pleased and impressed with the accomplishments of our students and look forward to another successful year in 2019-20. ~ Mat Miles



The June 1st commencement recognized the largest class since 1995. The class of 2019 was one of highest academically achieving with 4 students graduating with perfect GPA's.

Vaccinations: K-12 Requirements

Do you know which vaccinations your kids need?			
Open Health	Grades K - 6	Grades 7 - 9	Grades 10 - 12
DTaP/Tdap (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)	x5 (5 doses)	x6 (5 doses DTaP + 1 dose Tdap)	x6 (5 doses DTaP + 1 dose Tdap)
Polio	x4 (4 doses)	x4 (4 doses)	x4 (4 doses)
Varicella (Chickenpox)	x1 (1 dose)	x1 (1 dose)	x1 (1 dose)
MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)	x2 (2 doses)	x2 (2 doses)	x2 (2 doses)
Hepatitis A	x2 (2 doses)	x2 (2 doses)	x0 (0 doses)
Hepatitis B	x3 (3 doses)	x3 (3 doses)	x3 (3 doses)

*At all ages and grades, the number of doses required varies by a child's age and how long ago they were vaccinated. Other vaccines may be recommended. Exemptions are available. Please check with your child's school, child care or healthcare provider for details.

Counselor's Corner:

May 22nd was a meeting for Junior (soon to be Senior) parents, we went over the many aspects of Senior Year: colleges, financial aid, graduation requirements & senior projects to name a few. If you missed the meeting, let me know & I can get the handouts to you.

Senior presentations went well & we have started planning for the next year, if you haven't already, talk to your student about what the project is & what they can be doing this summer to get ahead of the game.

Remember to check college websites for information about placement testing and visitations...summer is a great time to get started with planning. Have a great vacation. ~Lisa Murchison

RESERVED
FOR
GUIDANCE
COUNSELOR

♪ A Final Note from the Music Room ♪

March marked the beginning of the contest and festival season for the high school performing groups. Cove was fortunate to enter several contests this year. Contests provide groups with an evaluation and give an opportunity for a professional to compare their performance against other groups and give a rating based on a scale of excellence. An evaluation is important to understand an ensembles strengths and weaknesses.



Many festivals also provide opportunities for clinics and workshops that allow students to interact with professionals and experts in certain areas of music performance.

The High School High School Choir started off with a solid performance at the Clackamas Community College Jazz Festival. The goal was to deliver our best effort from start to finish. We finished with a 3rd Place trophy.

The following week we entered the our local area District VI Large Group Contest with a completely different set of music. We won our division and qualified to enter the OSAA Tape Pool for the Oregon State Playoffs.



The Choir went to Columbia Basin Community College Jazz Unlimited Contest in Richland, Washington in the middle of April and performed with the most confidence I have seen from them this year.

The Cove High School Band had a rough start to the contest season, but overcame the adversity of sickness and setbacks to finish the year strong! With some strong upper class leadership and hard work in rehearsals, the ensemble did not give up and showed the most amount of improvement I have ever seen from a group at this level.

The High School Band went to many of the same contests as the choir, except, instead of the CBC Jazz Unlimited, they went to The Boise State University Jazz Festival. Both groups put everything they learned together at the Music in the Parks, Silverwood contest receiving Excellent and Superior Ratings from the judges.



Choir at the Columbia Basin Community College Jazz Unlimited Contest in Richland, Washington in the middle of April performed with confidence.



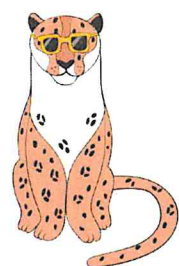


Eastern Oregon Small School Music Association mass band festival which is a collaborative work between area small schools.

I would like to thank Cove School board, administration, and community for the support. I would also like to give a shout out to the Cove Music Sponsors like Dentist, Steve McLean D.M.D., Robbins Equipment, Attorney at Law, Alyssa D. Slater-Mullarkey, In Loving Memory of Drew Thomas Noble, The Cove Booster Club and JA Ranch. Without our sponsors these trips and contest would not be possible. ~ Mr. McBride



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Summer Capital Projects Commence

Besides all the summer maintenance and small projects, Cove School is undertaking several projects this summer. First, the heating oil boilers in the elementary and old gym are being converted to natural gas. Secondly, the irrigation well and pump is being upgraded to reduce water waste, cabinets are being installed in the 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms, and finally we anticipate breaking ground on a new cafeteria later this summer. As part of preparation for the cafeteria, the school is selling the portable building which lies in the new cafeteria's footprint. Bids are being accepted for the purchase of the portable building until June 18th. Terms of sale and bid forms are available on the website, in the office, or by email: earl.pettit@covesd.org



Portable Building



New Cafeteria

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