



Arlee School District December 2018



SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

Education and equipment have changed drastically and I thought I would mention things you might remember but your child or grandchild has no idea what it means?

The overhead projector: Imagine a projector allowing the teacher to present a lesson on a screen and not the chalkboard. Yes, you might have to explain what a chalkboard is also.

Slide rule and Texas Instruments Calculators: Here again the latest in technology allowing a short cut to math problems. Sadly, many have now become paper weights on desks for many.

Card Catalog: How many of you remember going to the library to find information on a report or to find a book and going to the card catalog? Now with a quick search on your computer you can find the materials in the library by pushing one button.

Encyclopedia and Dictionaries: If you need to know anything, here was your guide to finding out. Now such books are

replaced with one word, Google!

Filmstrips: Can you remember getting a movie in your class? Or, can you remember the projector eating the movie up!

Beta/VHS/Laser Disc: The greatest invention ever as it replaced filmstrips. All of us thought nothing could replace it ever, but soon DVD's came along and now even better you go to YouTube and it is instantly available.

Pencil Sharpener: Not totally extinct but most are no longer manual and are electric. Can you remember having the sharpener full of shavings, or the shaving spilled on the floor?

Chalkboards: Here again mostly extinct and replaced with whiteboards. I am sure many remember the dust created by the chalk and erasers!

The Plato Computer: Plato arrived on the market in 1981 and by 1984 1 computers per 92 students was the

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CONGRATULATIONS

To Anne Tanner, Heather Schneiter, and Sue McCay, who all earned National Board Certification! National Board Certification is a years-long process that encourages deep reflection and meaningful decision-making on behalf of students. It is comprised of four components which must be completed within three years.

These three educators are the first in Arlee's history to achieve certification!

Arlee School Board: There will be two seats open on the Arlee School Board in May 2019. Candidates for Trustee can file a Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy beginning December 12, 2018 through March 28, 2019. The form can be found on the Arlee School District website under Departments: District Office: Election Forms, or you can stop by the Administration Building on the Arlee campus. These forms can be turned into the Lake County Elections Office in Polson, or to Lonnie Morin, District Clerk, in the Administration Building. Remember, you *must* be a registered voter at the time of filing the Declaration.

New this year: The Trustee Election will be held by mail ballot this year. Please make sure you have your current address on file with the Lake County Elections Office to ensure you receive a ballot in the mail. If you have any questions, please contact Lonnie Morin at 726-3216 x5.

K-2 ELEMENTARY NEWS

Season's Greetings!

A special thank you to all of you that were able to attend the November parent/teacher conference. We had record breaking numbers! We were very excited to roll out our new Common Core aligned report cards and would love to hear any thoughts you have on them. Thanks for helping us move forward!!!

As we go further into our winter season, please remember to dress your student appropriately for the weather. We have outdoor recess as much as possible and students love to roll around in the snow! If you need extra help acquiring coats, hats, gloves, boots & snow pants, please let Carolyn at the office know. We are here to help!

Our holiday program was Thursday, November 27th. Kindergarten through sixth grade sang their hearts out. Both Ms. Martin and Mrs. Bartels worked so very hard to have a great concert. A special thank you to our volunteer Santa and all the goodies he handed out to the students.

The staff participated in a professional development day November 16. We were treated to a phenomenal presentation by "Stop The Bleed" training. We spent the morning learning what it means to be immediate responders and how to best help in an emergency situation. Katie Parson was instrumental in helping us with our emergency services plan. If you see her on the street please give her a big THANK YOU!

And lastly, we'd like to highlight our 12 Days of Kindness that starts on December 3rd. Our school counselor, Miss Tritz, selects a different act of kindness for students to practice each day and they get to decorate an ornament and hang on the trees lining the hallway. The students get really excited and it's wonderful to see the kindness and manners all over campus.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday season. We'll see you in the new year!

- Principal Anne Tanner

Superintendent's Letter continued

average and of course no internet existed. Today, laptop computers and chromebooks, and desk top computers have replaced the Plato. Almost every student can operate them, and they allow our student to do work at home.

Internet: Allowing all to search with a quick tab on your computer.

Cell Phone: Could you ever imagine driving down the road, at a game or event and getting a phone call? Today, in present society can you imagine going to an event and not seeing a cell phone?

The Paddle: I am sure some of you might have met the paddle in your days at school. I certainly do as I met the fate of the paddle once. Administrators were even known to drills holes causing more pain!

Mimeograph: The only way to make copies was the mimeograph with duplicating fluid and hand

cranking. Glad to report I was using such machine for just my first 3 years until the copy machine came along.

Dunce Cap- One of the most humiliating ways of telling a student he had shortcomings as a student. You were marched up to a stool, had a dunce cap put on your head and everyone could enjoy your humiliation. Thankfully such ridicule is no longer in use.

As you can see education has had several changes and I personally would not wish to revisit and use such educational equipment. It is hard to imagine the day will come when someone speaks of using a cell phone as we currently know it and saying you actually lost your signal from time to time.

Reminder to parents and patrons: our last day of school before the Christmas vacation will be on December 20th. Arlee schools will not be in session again until January 7th 2019.

Santa
Claus IS COMING TO



Valley Bank of Arlee

Free Pictures With Santa

December 3rd 5-7:00pm

3-6 ELEMENTARY NEWS

We have just finished the first Qtr. of the 2018 school year as of October 25th

The 3-6 monthly Attendance-MBI Assembly for the month of October was held on Thursday November 8th ...We recognized 45 students with perfect attendance for 1st Qtr. There were also 62 students with perfect attendance during the month of October. Mrs. Ligas' class led the way with 96% attendance for the 1st Qtr. and they earned a pizza party as a reward. There were also 6 teachers that had perfect attendance as well...We awarded the teachers lattes and the students an ice cream social during the afternoon recess.

The first Parent –Teacher conferences were held November 5th & 6th from 4-7 pm both days. There was a great turnout with over 110 parents that attended the fall conferences.

Amber Sage officially began teaching for our district in

November; she is our new replacement teacher in the 5th grade. This allowed us to return to our traditional all-inclusive classroom model, as she is a qualified to teach grades K-8...She is doing a great job teaching and engaging in a positive manner with her students.

It was the Missoula Children's Theatre week November 12th – 17th ... Over 70 children auditioned and 60 were chosen to participate in the Snow White production Saturday night of the 17th ... Mrs. Brister helps to organize and assist in its continued success each year. Thank you Andrea...

There were 65 students that made Honor Roll in grades 4-6 first Qtr. Keep up the great work students and teachers...

- Principal Don Holst

TITLE I NEWS

What's new?

Community Advisory Meeting—all community members and parents are invited to join an advisory group for Title I funds and programming. We'll meet Wednesday, January 16 from 5-6 pm in the HS library. This is just before the Community Dinner in the lunch room at 6. Please come!

What is Title I?

Title I is the largest federal assistance program for schools across the United States. The funds flow through the state office of

public instruction and each district must submit an application for these funds.

The funds are based on the numbers of students receiving free and reduced lunch. Arlee School District is a Title I district, meaning that all students in our public school are eligible to receive the benefits of Title I, even if they do not qualify themselves.

Please call Anna Baldwin at x2315 with any questions about Arlee's Title I program.



Greetings from the Arlee Junior High!

Quarter one ended and we had an exceptional amount of students make honor roll and received no tardies!

Arlee Junior High 1st Quarter

Perfect Attendance 8th Grade: Princess Bolan, Rheid Crawford, Jerny Crawford, Charley Crawford, Billy Ishler, McKaryss Fisher, and Xaria Jacobson.

Perfect Attendance 7th Grade: Kinika Bartell, Adalyn Jacobson, Edwin Koetter, Ben Harlow, Vicente LaRoche, Starr Mahseelah, Kendall O'Neill, Kailee Scott, SaanJay Small Boy, Dallas Swab, Trista White, and James Young Running Crane.

High Honor Roll 3.7 & Above 8th Grade: Elaina Baldwin, Patience Bunce, Rheid Crawford, Jerny Crawford, Xaria Jacobson, Raven Parson, and Haeley Martinez.

High Honor Roll 3.7 & Above 7th Grade: Kinika Bartell, Adalyn Jacobson, Imperial Big Sam, Kendall O'Neill, Drew Knoll, Moira Leach, Shonlea Matt, Kailee Scott, Dallas Swab, Trista White, and Jasmine Hudson-Taijeron.

Honor Roll 3.3-3.69 8th Grade: Princess Bolen, Xavier Coates, Charley Crawford, Trinity Falkenstein, and McKaryss Fisher.

Honor Roll 3.3-3.69 7th Grade: KaitiyLyn Ellison, Paley Espinoza, Ethan Fiddler, Toni Hadley, Ben Harlow, Harli Kinney, Jake Knoll, Starr Maseelah, Taleigha Perry, Joseph Romas, Juaquin Santos, SaanJay Small Boy, and James Young Running Crane.



Arlee JHS news continued

On November 17, some of the junior high students participated in the Missoula Children's Theater. They did a tremendous performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

The junior high would like to give a big thanks to all the parents that came to the student-led conferences! We had a great turnout with 43 parents representing 76 students, 57% of the parents participated this year!

This month is filled with basketball! Junior high boys' basketball will have their last game on December 15. This group of boys have improved tremendously and are a blast to watch!

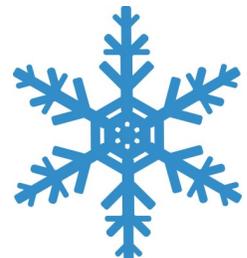
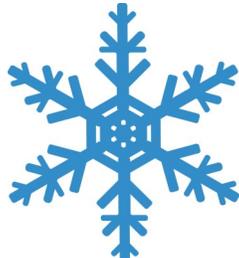
Junior high girls' basketball will start on the 17 of December! Mr. HeavyRunner and Sean Parson will be the coaches and we hope that all of our Scarlets will go out!

A quick reminder sport forms must be completed and handed into your coach before you are able to practice or play. The forms that need to be completed are:

- Physical Form
- Athletic/Activity Handbook Signature Page
- Concussion Form
- Medical Treatment Form
- Activity Fee Paid

A \$30.00 activity fee is also required to be paid before you can participate in any sport. These activity passes will allow you to get into any home game for free. Please pay your fee as soon as you can!

Our last day of school before winter break will be December 20. We will return to school on January 7, 2019! We hope all of our students have a safe and fun winter break!





PROJECT SELA

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING IN ARLEE

University of Montana researchers are looking to collaborate with members of the Arlee school and community to develop a culturally responsive SEL program.

WHAT IS SEL?

Social and emotional learning (SEL) is the process through which children acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.

THE GOALS:

- Arlee students get access to SEL opportunities, aligning with their culture and identity and help increase their school engagement
- Arlee educators learn ways to support students' SEL to benefit academic performance
- Arlee community members work between school and the community to establish an extended support system for children

We are looking for interested school and community members to join us in creating a project involving the community.
There are many ways to get involved.

If you're interested, please contact

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HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Here we are at the beginning of December and almost winter break. With this, we have the start of basketball and wrestling seasons as well as music concerts and in no time the end of the first semester.

With this being said, there are some school rules and policies that I would like to review with you, parents, staff and coaches. All of these policies are located in the Arlee Student Handbook which can be found on our school website. www.arleeschools.org

Attendance: This is the number one issue that we as a school deal with each day. Students are sick or have appointments, attend cultural events, and/or have other reasons why they are not in school. As a reminder, if your student is going to be absent from school, we ask that you contact the school office that your child's main classes are in and let the office manager (Val, Jamie, Carolyn, Wendy) know that your child will not be in school that day. If you know in advance, you can also call ahead of time to let us know. The school policy on attendance in the Junior High and High School on page 8 of the handbook states: To earn credit for any school course, a student cannot be absent ten (10) days from a course per quarter (JH) or ten (10) days from a course per semester (HS) or credit may be denied. Exempt absences do not count towards these absences.

On a positive side with attendance, your students can earn awards such as an Honor Roll Pass, No Tardy Pass, and Perfect Attendance Passes. Attached are the types of absences that the school looks at when determining credit and excused or unexcused absences.

Types of Absences: There are three (3) types of absences – exempt, excused, and regular.

1. Exempt absences are defined as the following: (A) Honor Roll Pass, No Tardy Pass, and Perfect Attendance Pass (B) Parental request for cultural or religious activities (page 7) (C) Required court appearances (D) Counseling appointments (E) School sponsored activities including athletics (F) College Visitations
2. Excused absences are defined as the following: a. Personal illness with a doctor's note b. Bereavement approved by the principal c. Other unforeseen absences approved by the principal
3. Regular absences are all other absences.

If your student is involved in athletics or any extra/co-curricular activities, we follow the information listed on page 18 of the student handbook which is as follows:

Attendance Rules for Extra and Co-Curricular Practice

- ✓ If an athlete is absent and/or tardy, he/she may not practice and/or play in a game with the team that day.
- ✓ If a student needs to miss school for medical/dental only, the Athletic Director must be notified 12- 24 hours in advance for the student to practice or participate in a game.

If a student is assigned noon-time detention and/or Friday ISS and the student misses or skips these, the student will not be allowed to practice or participate in activities scheduled for those days.

Grades: This is the most important part of school as grades equal credits which are required to graduate from Arlee High School. Arlee High School requires 24 credits to be able to graduate.

We follow certain Arlee School Board, MHSAA and State of Montana requirements when developing our policies on extra/co-curricular participation. Arlee requires the following requirements to participate:

A 2.0 Grade Point Average and no failing grades. We check grades every 4.5 weeks and the only grades that go onto a student's transcript are the semester grades (4th and 8th grade check). The teachers at Arlee develop classroom grades by class work, quizzes, tests and projects as well as finals week which will be the week of January 14-17, 2019.

Montana High School Association requires a student to meet the following terms to be eligible to participate in extra/co-curricular activities:

- A student must be enrolled in twenty hours per week and in regular attendance.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS CONTINUED

A grading period is defined as one semester. A semester is defined as one half of a school year.

A student must have received a passing grade and received credit in at least twenty periods of prepared class work or its equivalent in the last previous semester. At Arlee, this would be passing four periods out of seven.

The scholastic record at the end of the semester shall be final and deficiencies may not be made up in any manner.

As I stated above, High School finals week will be the week of January 14-17, 2019 and I will be sending out the finals schedule with my December newsletter. There is a lot of information in my report this month, but I felt it was important as we all don't have the time and resources to read the various handbooks.

Hope you had a great Thanksgiving and are looking forward to Christmas break. We are also looking forward to another successful Arlee basketball and wrestling season.

— Principal Jim Taylor

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Important Yearbook Deadline for Seniors! Your senior portrait, baby picture, and quote needs to be turned in to Mrs. Smith by January 17th!

Buy a Yearbook

As a graduation gift, all seniors will receive a yearbook. All others can purchase one for \$40 if ordered by March 28. These can be purchased with Val at the office or online at yearbookforever.com.

FCCLA UPDATE

The Arlee FCCLA would like to thank everyone who ordered a pie! The students along with Mrs. Auer and Mrs. Jackson worked hard and hope that you all enjoyed them! Your continued support means a lot to all of us. Thank you!

HALLOWEEN:

We had some amazing costumes for Halloween! The winners were as follows: Most Scary - **Jane Mossaad**. Most Funny - **Rylee Arlee**. Most Creative - **Mandy Couture**. Best Overall - **Colt Crawford**

The winner of the jack-o-lantern contest was **Ms. Rhonda Kinney's** Advisory class with their bull-rider pumpkin person! Good job on this very artistic creation! The class received pumpkin bar treats and hot chocolate for this great accomplishment!

PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

A BIG congratulations to these students on achieving Perfect Attendance for Quarter One of this school year: **Mia Arlee, Tomi Brazill, James Crazyboy, Jessica Daniel, Jayse Espinoza, Billy Fisher, Kiya Ironshell, RJ Knoll, Tally Martin, Melaia Matt, Jason Miller, Denny Nelson-Sween, Ashley Potts, MaKenzie Rieken, Ezra Roan, Grayson Roan, Sydni Rogers, Sara Schall, Shelby Smith, Tristan Vanderburg, Kaden Wills.**

Honor Roll:

Honor Roll for 1st quarter is as follows:

Straight A's:

Colt Crawford

High Honor Roll (3.7 & Above):

Kiya Ironshell, Denny Nelson-Sween, Peyton Lamerding, Sara Schall, Tomi Brazill, MaKenzie Rieken, Rylee Belcourt, Donovin Hankin.

Regular Honor Roll (3.3 - 3.69):

Kanoa Palazzolo, Hailey Shepherd, Francois Pepion, Billy Fisher, Nellie Desjarlais, Mia Pierre-Stone, Louetta Conko-Camel, Isaac Ahenakew, McKirah Fisher, Noelle West, Mandy Couture, Lane Johnson, Madi Lahaye, Ashley Potts, Tommy Tanner, Saige Koetter, Dalton Marks, Jason Miller, James Crazyboy,



Gage Sanchez, Ezra Roan, Dar Bolen, Dustin Cordier, Shelby Smith

FOOTBALL HONORS:

Football All State and All Conference selections have been announced. Congratulations to our All Staters - **Lane Schall, Chase Gardner** and **Lane Johnson!!** This is something to be very proud of!

All Conference winners are as follows: **Lane Schall** - 1st Team Quarterback, **CJ Forgey** - 1st Team Center, **Chase Gardner** - 1st Team Wide Receiver, **Lane Johnson** - 1st Team Tight End, **Darshan Bolen** - 2nd Team Running Back & **Skyler Titsworth** - 2nd Team Offensive Lineman. Great job guys!

Lane Schall, Chase Gardner, Lane Johnson and **Dar Bolen** have all been chosen to play in the Class C All Star Football game next Spring!! Congrats again!

Our football team traveled all the way to Fairview,

MT, about 650 miles, to play the Fairview Warriors in the playoffs. They were beaten in a hard fought game which ended their season. Ours was a very good team with a lot of great players. We will miss the Seniors next year!

VOLLEYBALL HONORS:

More congratulations to these All-Conference winners in Volleyball: **Emily Fiddler** received FIRST TEAM - All Conference honors, **Nellie Desjarlais** was designated as SECOND TEAM - All Conference, and **Louetta Conko-Camel** received Honorable Mention! Good job Scarlets!!

ACADEMIC ALL-STATE HONORS: To win this award the athletes must letter in their sport and achieve a 3.5 or above GPA for Quarter One.

Cross Country: **Ashley Potts, Isaac Ahenakew Fisher, Billy Fisher.** Volleyball: **Rylee Belcourt, Tomi Brazill, Nellie Desjarlais, MaKenzie Rieken** - Manager. Football: **Lane Johnson, Kanoa Palazzolo, Tommy Tanner, Colt Crawford.**

MEET OUR WINTER SPORTS COACHES

Ken Hill – Wrestling Head Coach



This is Ken Hill's 28th year of Coaching High School Wrestling (7 years in St. Regis, 21 years in Arlee). He started wrestling AAU in 1970, progressing all the way to Nationals in Anaheim, California in 1972 where he placed 4th in the tournament. In 1975 Ken wrestled in High school under the coaching of Earl Beck. In 1980 his team placed second at the State Tournament. Since his time at Arlee there has been some fantastic teams, winning the Class C State Championship and placing many times in the top 3 in class C. Coach Hill says, "I understand that a lot of my athletes will not be State Champions, but I desire for them to learn as much as possible about life in the sport of wrestling. Forever in the future, someone will be better than you, and you have to learn, get up and go on. Our achievements in wrestling are not our win vs loss record, but how much character and work ethic, respect and responsibility we acquire during the season. We are a wrestling family and have achieved greatness in what we have accomplished for ourselves

and our team."

Paige Carney – Wrestling Assistant Coach

Paige Carney is an Arlee alum of the Class of 2003. He was very active in high school sports playing football, wrestling and track. His highlights would be placing at three state wrestling tournaments including a 2nd place honor, playing football for three different coaches and being an alternate on the State Champion track 4X100 relay in 2001, He also had to play the "Game" and switched from Class B to Class C then back to Class B. He is now in his 6th year of coaching wrestling, and he also coached 2 years of football. He is looking forward to another great Warrior wrestling year.



Missy Tiensvold – Girls' Basketball Head Coach

Head girls' B-ball Coach Tiensvold is a 2004 graduate of Arlee High. She coached at San Miguel High School from 2012 -2016 and had back to back state appearances for the first time in school history. She recently coached at Mayville State University in North Dakota in 2017-2018 and was a Professor of Nutrition there. Her team was ranked #16 in the country and had a record of 16-5. Missy holds a Bachelors' degree in Elementary Education from the University of Arizona and a Masters of Arts degree in Coaching and Administration from Concordia University.



Susan Carney – Girls' Basketball Assistant Coach

Susan Carney is a 1983 graduate from Glasgow, Montana. She was active in high school sports playing basketball, track, golf, and because there were no winter sports for girls in those days, she managed the wrestling team. Highlights of her high school career were being part of the State championship golf team in 1980 and placing 3rd and 5th the following years and being chosen the Scottie Outstanding Golfer her senior year. Susan moved to Arlee in 1990 to teach Music and PE. She was working as a legal assistant and assistant investment broker and realized that she missed the classroom and is now in her 30th year and still loving it. In her tenure here she has coached 20 years of track, 18 years of basketball and crazy as it sounds, 1 year of cheerleading. Highlights of coaching are coaching her former athletes' children and all the successes and learning failures in the name of sports. She is looking forward to coaching again this year under the direction of Arlee's own, Missy Tiensvold.

Zanen J. Pitts – Boys' Basketball Head Coach

Our head coach lives in Dixon MT, the son of former AHS coach and teacher Terry Pitts and Mom, Crystal. Coach Pitts graduated from Ronan High School in 2005 and served a 2 year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saint in 2007 & 2008. Zanen went on to play basketball and rodeo for the University of Montana Western graduating in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in Ag Business. He then transferred to rodeo for the University of Montana on a full ride athletic scholarship. While attending the UofM, he received an associate degree in welding and fabrication.

Coach Pitts states, "After graduating and starting my family, I was given the great honor to become the head basketball coach of the Arlee Warriors in 2012. In the past 5 years as the head coach, I have had the privilege and honor to have a record of 116-15 with 3 State title appearances and back to back state championships. While on this amazing run I've been able to gain a great understanding of how young adults can use their platform for the greater good. In 2018, the Arlee Warriors put together the Warrior Movement in hopes of bringing awareness to suicide, depression, and battling the struggles of life. Since the Warrior Movement was born, it has grown to a 501C3 nonprofit."



Francis Brown Lone Bear – Boys' Basketball Assistant Coach

Assistant Coach Brown is Arapaho/Bitterroot Salish and the son of longtime Arlee residents Betty Steele and the late Benny Fyant. Francis graduated from Arlee High School in 1995 and his family has lived in the area since being forcefully removed from the Bitterroot by the government. His grandmother was one of the very first graduates from Arlee in 1937! Franny was a 4 year letter winner in basketball and a starter on the first ever boys' state basketball runner-up trophy Class B team in 1995. He has been the assistant boys' basketball coach for 5 seasons with a record of 99-6 and three state championship appearances. Coach has six children, Ma-Lee, Nathaylia, Errin, Hunter, Hiram, Brooklyn and two nephews, Robert and Rapaho.

Upcoming Events

Weds., December 5: Winter sports pictures

Friday, December 14, 9 am-12 pm: Staff Professional Development Day

Mon., Dec. 17, 6:30 pm: School Board meeting

Weds., Dec. 19, 6-8 pm: Community Dinner, Arlee lunch room

Thurs., Dec. 20: Last day of school before Winter Break

Fri., Dec. 21-Sun., Jan. 6, 2019: Winter Break

Tues., Jan. 8, 6:30 pm: School Board meeting

Weds., Jan. 16, 5-6 pm: Title I Community Advisory Meeting, HS library

Weds., Jan. 16, 6-8 pm: Community Dinner, Arlee lunch room

Thurs., Jan. 17: End of first semester

Mon., Jan. 21: NO SCHOOL
