



CUB REPORTER

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November**

State Champion-
ship Volleyball @
Denver

14 November

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Cermony &
Luncheon

**18-27
November**

Thanksgiving
break

24 November

Championship
Football game @
Pueblo

SPORTS Results

Results and Highlights
from Our School Teams

Volleyball:
vs Limon-**W** (3-1)
vs Kiowa-**W** (3-0)
vs Miami-**W** (3-0)
vs PPCHS-**W** (3-0)

Football:
vs St. Marys- **W** (48-0)
vs South Park-**W** (52-8)
vs Elbert-**W** (56-12)
vs Calhan-**W** (47-0)





STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: JOURNALISM STAFF

MORGAN SWENNES

Morgan is new to journalism this year, though she has mastered the selfie! Even though she may not have much professional experience, she sure does have grit and determination. Morgan loves capturing moments and making memories, and is a fast learner. She is planning on going to university for marketing and design so this is a great first step to reach her goals. Journalism has always sounded super interesting to Morgan and this year she finally decided to join in on the fun! She cannot wait to start learning!

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TUCKER TIDBITS FOR ELEMENTARY

KATHY TUCKER ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



Thanksgiving is right around the corner! We have much to be thankful for at Big Sandy Schools! Take the time to sit down with your children and make a list. You may be surprised at how truly blessed you are!



Asher Bohlander and his dad building Legos at the STEAM Night

Full STEAM Ahead!!! Our elementary STEAM night was held on October 25, 2023.

Over 220 students and family members attended. Teachers facilitated learning by having guests create, analyze, and engineer various activities. Students also had the opportunity to view planets through telescopes, learn about Emergency Preparedness from the Air Force, and communicate through Ham radios. Shopping at the book fair was an added bonus! And...Mr. Jerry Dole provided funnel cakes, ice cream, and cotton candy to top off the pizza dinner... yum! Thank you to the FBLA members for helping make this event a success. It was a night to remember!



OCTOBER WAS "FIRE PREVENTION MONTH"

On October 26th, the Simla Fire Dept. provided an interactive fire safety program for elementary students, Prek-5th grade. Students were challenged to have their families develop a fire safety evacuation plan complete with a "meeting place" in the event of a fire. We would like to extend a huge "THANK YOU" to our fire department for keeping us safe by teaching us about fire safety. ▼



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OUTSIDE OF THE CLASSROOM

In October, students were able to take part in an exciting learning adventure. Kindergarten through second graders took a trip to the Colorado Kid's Ranch pumpkin patch, and each student was able to pick their own special pumpkin to bring home. The third grade was able to learn about geology at Garden of the Gods and tour a city fire department. Fourth and fifth graders visited Rock Ledge Ranch to learn about early Colorado settlers and the lives that they led in making Colorado what it is today. Thank you, teachers, for providing these excellent learning opportunities!



TRUNK OR TREAT/ HALLOWEEN

Thank you, Simla community and parents, for providing a unique, fun opportunity for our kids. Students loved visiting each "trunk" and receiving "goodies."

After the trunk or treat, each class held their own Halloween party. Thanks again parents for making this happen! ►

TRICK or TREAT





THERE'S A NEW PUMPKIN IN THE PATCH!

The K-2nd Grade Bearcubs had a blast at the Pumpkin Patch. Pictured below is Harlan Madden taking a dive in the corn



READ ALOUD MONTH

The majority of elementary students completed this activity. Fantastic job!

Reading is the key to success. Please continue to make sure your child reads each and every day/night.

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 from 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. in the library. We hope to see everyone there! Thank you to all who give of their time to be on this committee.

NOVEMBER IS MATH MONTH!

Sharpen up those math skills in the month of November! Addition/subtraction facts should be mastered by the end of second grade. Multiplication facts should be mastered by the end of third, and division by fourth. Mastering math facts opens the door to more critical thinking activities and higher-level learning. Let's get working on those facts!

RECESS & WEATHER

As seasons change, the temperature will drop. Please make sure your child dresses for the weather since we will have recess outside the majority of the time. Layered clothes, a cap and a pair of gloves in the backpack are a great idea and a necessity when the temperature drops. Also, it's a great idea to write your child's name on all of their outer gear so it can be returned to the rightful owner if misplaced.

JUST A REMINDER

Elementary students are not allowed to use cell phones during class. Students may place them in a teacher's drawer or leave them in their lockers. If you need to contact your child, you can call the front office, and we will have your

child call you back as soon as possible. This will alleviate a disruption to learning. If elementary students attend ball games, they need to be sitting during the entire game unless they are eating at the concession stand. Students should not be running in and out of the game. Thank you for your cooperation!

It's almost basketball season! Please note that students are not allowed to stay after school unattended, without supervision, while waiting for a game to begin.

LOOKING AHEAD...

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Make plans to attend our annual elementary Christmas program on December 13, 2023. Before the program, our Future Business Leaders of America will be serving a chili supper for all elementary students and their families. It's sure to be yummy!

Word on the street is that Santa Claus will be visiting elementary students in December. Better watch out!!!

The end of the second quarter and first semester will be on December 21, 2023. Report cards will go home after Christmas.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH: ELI GONZALES & PRESTON WRIGHT



Our November Students of the Month are Eli Gonzales and Preston Wright. These students are both in the third grade at Big Sandy School. At the end of each recess, these two students willingly and eagerly clean the playground without being asked to do so. They pick up balls and playground equipment that they didn't even use.

Thank you, Eli and Preston, for setting such a great example for others to follow!



**CHILDREN ARE
LIKELY TO LIVE UP TO
WHAT YOU
BELIEVE OF THEM**

-LADY BIRD JOHNSON



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

SAMMI SWENNES



YEAR-TO-DATE

The first quarter is already complete and we have many achievements to celebrate. Overall, as a district we had a 95% attendance rate! The junior high school had the highest attendance percentage with 95.98%! Thank you for working with us this quarter, and keeping you kids home when they aren't feeling well.

High School Volleyball and Football are both finishing up their regular seasons and are looking at a postseason opportunity. We will know more the first week of November.

Congratulations to the Junior High Volleyball team for winning the Black Forest League Tournament.

Congratulations to all the students that were inducted into the 2023-24 FBLA chapter. These students will work this year to compete in the District FBLA competition in hopes of qualifying for the state FBLA competition.

Congratulations to Teague Jones and Ryleigh Tunick for their qualification to the Colorado State Cross Country Meet. They will run on Saturday, October 28th. Good luck!!



State Cross Country



ATTENDANCE

As is our trend, our first quarter attendance was high at 95%. This can be attributed to your commitment to get your children to school. Thank you for your help as we pursue a 95% rate, which is our accreditation goal. As a reminder, if your child is sick and will miss school for the day, please call the office at 541-2291 before 9:00 a.m. If you would like us to collect homework for the day, please let the office know, when you call in, to give teachers the chance to gather it and bring it to the office by the end of the day. If your child is sick, please keep them home. We are excited that we were able to have a 95% attendance rate for the first quarter.

NHS REMINDER

Students having a cumulative 3.5 GPA after the first semester of their sophomore year are eligible for consideration of membership in the National Honor Society. This decision is made by a faculty committee. The committee also considers a student's character, leadership abilities, and community service. This process will begin in February.

SCHOOL ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

Just a reminder, we will not have school on Friday, November 10th. However, we WILL HAVE school on Monday, November 6th. Please jot this in your planners as a date to remember. Also

COUNSELOR CORNER

CHAD THIEMAN

THINK BEFORE YOU POST!

On Wednesday, Nov. 1st, Chet Kuplen from "Sports in Kansas" will be speaking to all of our secondary students (6th – 12th) in an assembly teaching students to think before they post on Social Media apps. This is an important topic for all of our students and, to help provide support for our parents, we are going to host a parent's assembly with Chet that same evening starting at 6:30 p.m. Come and learn how to help your kids with their social media behavior. Parents, please set this date and time in your calendar: Nov. 1st at 6:30 p.m. at the school. A reminder will be sent out through our school's Shout Point system.

ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS

1st quarter progress reports were mailed out October 19th. If you didn't receive yours, please let Mr. Thieman or Mrs. Easler know. The 1st quarter Honor Roll is based on these progress grades. As a reminder, grades do not reset at the end of quarter. Semester grades are cumulative running from August 15– December 21 and are only posted to transcripts at the end of the semester. 1st quarter progress grades are not posted to transcripts and do not affect cumulative GPA's.

ACT

Students may register for the December 9th test administration through November 3rd for regular registration. The regular registration fee for the ACT is \$60. Go to www.actstudent.org for more information and all of the 2023-2024 test dates.

SAT

The next SAT administration will be December 2nd. The regular registration deadline is November 2nd. The late registration deadline is November 21st. The regular registration for the SAT is \$60. Information may be found at www.collegeboard.org. All juniors will take the digital SAT at no cost here at the school in April.

The Digital PSAT/NMSQT

The Digital PSAT/NMSQT was administered at the school October 18th to sophomores and juniors who had signed up to take this assessment. Juniors may qualify for a National Merit Scholarship based on their PSAT/NMSQT scores. Scores should be available by

mid-November.

SENIORS

Seniors took advantage of the free college application days October 17th – 19th. All public colleges and universities in Colorado waived their application fees for those days. (Junior and Community colleges in Colorado always have zero application fees) Seniors also continue to work on scholarships that are due this fall. Scholarship information and applications are provided to the seniors in class on a regular basis. Our seniors have also started working on their senior project which includes an 8-page research paper on the benefits and challenges related to their career choice. This senior project culminates in a PowerPoint presentation to be given in December before a panel of professionals from our local communities.

SENIOR PARENTS

Senior Parents the “new, streamlined” FAFSA is scheduled to open in December. In preparation for completing the FAFSA you can sign up now for a StudentAid.gov account. Go to www.studentaid.gov to create an account and be sure to remember your username and password. You will use these credentials to login and complete the FAFSA application with your student. Once the FAFSA application is opened, I am glad to help you complete the online requirements and will ensure confidentiality with any financial information that is shared with me as I assist you.

FORMER STUDENTS/ COLLEGE GRADUATES

Former students and college graduates if you have previously attended college and took out loans to help pay for your college tuition and expenses, then make sure to check out at the “Loan Forgiveness” tab at www.studentaid.gov to see if you qualify for any programs.

ALL STUDENTS

Mr. Thieman is available anytime to talk with students in all grades. Information shared by students is kept confidential unless there is a perceived threat of self-harm by the student or toward another person. Please encourage your student to stop by the counseling office any time that they may need to.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! I am sincerely blessed and thankful to have the opportunity to work with the students, staff, and parents in our communities!



mark your calendars for the week of Thanksgiving, we will not be having school on that Monday and Tuesday this year. Our Thanksgiving break will begin on Saturday, November 18th – November 27

JUNIOR HIGH INCENTIVE TRIP

At the end of each quarter the junior high staff and myself are implementing an incentive activity that 6th – 8th grade students can qualify for based on grades, attendance, tardies and behavior. Our goal is to award those students who are working hard and making good decisions, but also motivate students to continue this all school year. Students who qualified for the 1st quarter trip had an amazing waffle bar breakfast and then competed in a Nertz tournament at the school on October 20th. To qualify students had to meet the qualifications in 4 out of the 4 areas---4 or less absences for the quarter (medical absences were excused), 3 or less tardies in every class, no office referrals that resulted in; in school or out of school suspension, or 6 or less detentions from classroom teachers and they have to have a 70% or above in all classes. The 2nd quarter incentive will be held on December 12th. ►

LOCKERS

Please encourage your children to not bring items of value to school and especially don't keep these items in their locker. There have been some things stolen out of hallway lockers and locker room lockers. I have combination locks that can be rented for \$10.00 each, and the \$10.00 deposit will be returned when the lock is returned

VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY

Big Sandy School would like to honor the Veterans in and around our community for their service to our country by attending a ceremony and luncheon scheduled on November 14th at 10:00 am. The ceremony will provide our school community the opportunity to



honor Veterans and family members for their service to our country. In addition, an honorary lunch will be provided for all Veterans and spouses. Family and friends are welcome to attend and stay for lunch for \$4.00 per person. Veterans and guest please RSVP to Tim Tucker at ttucker@bigsandy100j.org. or Cera Creel at atccreel@bigsandy100j.org. Veterans, if you email: please include your full name, rank, the branch of military, the number of years of service, your position, your duties during your service and the number of guest attending. If you would prefer, a QR code is available below that links to an online form. We look forward to honoring you on this very special day. Thank you for your service.



Congratulations to Mrs. Jayne Richardson as this is her 58th year of teaching!

Mrs. Richardson will be recognized by the Colorado Department of Education during half-time at one of our basketball games next month with a Colorado flag that was flown over the Capitol Building as well as being recognized at a Denver Nuggets game this month.

SUPERINTENDENT BOARD NOTES

STEVE WILSON



Thank you for a good first nine weeks with attendance which significantly helps our student learning.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Rod and Mike Webb for always keeping our athletic and physical education fields looking fantastic!

BFL CHAMPIONS & POSTSEASON PLAY

Congratulations to our JH Volleyball team for going undefeated and winning the BFL championship tournament.

Good job to the JH Football team for having a successful season. Congratulations to our HS Cheerleaders for a good fall season. We are looking forward to the HS Volleyball and Football Teams playing in the post-season as it will start soon.

We also look forward to Matchwits, Drama, Band & Choir activities having several performances and competitions coming up soon.

ELECTION DAY

November 7, Election Day, is fast approaching for the election of three school board directors.

We have been blessed to have continued, consistent quality teaching and learning each day and week so far this year; we look forward to keeping it rolling in the days and weeks ahead.

We have much to be thankful for! Thank you Big Sandy students, Big Sandy staff, and the Big Sandy community for a great place to learn, work and live!

We hope you and your families have a great November and Happy Thanksgiving!

Go Cubs!



ELECTRIC BUSES

We have received one of our electric buses. Two more electric buses are supposed to be delivered soon.

Infrastructure for Level 2 chargers has been finished and we are working on infrastructure for Level 3 chargers; this infrastructure will set us up for the present time and into the future. If we can be successful on one more \$22k partnership, we will have

the entire \$1,617,000 project completely paid for through grants and outside of school financial sources (we received more than any school in Colorado during this cycle).

ENROLLMENT

Unofficially, our enrollment on October Count Day was 330, down 30ish from last year, but slightly up from two years ago.

AUDIT

After our annual audit, our General Fund Balance is up a health \$307k with our Fund Balance being \$2.6m.

GRANT

We will find out soon whether or not we will receive around \$100k through a grant for our vocational programs.

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance rate for the first nine weeks was 95.41%.





Kylie loves to online shop. Shein is always her go to because it is affordable and fashionable.



Treven and Wyatt agree that your fashion should reflect yourself. Treven quoted Coach Prime and said, "you look good, you feel good, you play good." Wyatt said fashion is an art, and to perfect your art you have to be unique.

SIMLA HIGH SCHOOL PRE GAME FITS

Designed by:

Morgan

Myka

Charley

Dalton is sporting his favorite brand Air Jordan. When asked for fashion advice, his response was the if you have bad style for a long period of time, it turns into good style.



Katie loves to rock a cool graphic tee when she can. Her favorite stores to browse through and shop at are Nike and Lululemon.



Charley's inspiration for her great fashion sense comes from the amazing women in her life: her sister Riley, her mom, her Aunt Katie, and of course, the fashion icon, Princess Diana.



*Kylie Maranville for the kill
against Flat Irons Academy*



HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA PRODUCTION

Join the High School Drama and Drama Tech classes:

When: Wednesday, November 15th at 7p.m.

Where: in the auxiliary gym

For: "Twice Upon A Time" by Tracy Wells

(produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Denver, CO.)

Set on Christmas Eve in Grandma's family room, "Twice Upon A Time" is a fun mix of fractured fairy tales!

Grandma has always been an adventurer— preferring pirates and astronauts to

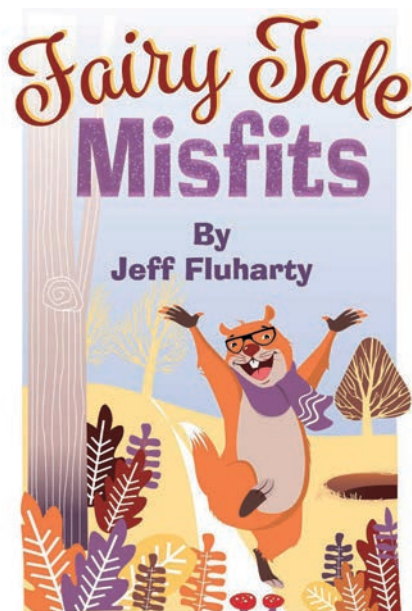
princesses and fairies... so it is no wonder that when her grandkids ask for fairy tale bedtime stories, Grandma puts her own silly twists on them!

"Twice Upon a time..." Grandma begins each goofy retelling of a once-familiar classic. Cindy-Rella is now an insufferable neat freak not inclined to leave her chores to attend the prince's barbecue, even if there will be a bouncy castle there. Grandma seems to have forgotten about the Big Bad Wolf, so her stories pull Big Bad Bear away from his porridge to threaten both the Three Little Pigs and Little Red Riding Pants. Even Goldilocks is confused why she has cameo appearances in both these stories! Despite the children's occasional protests at Grandma's absurd revisions, they beg



for more. She forges on to tell the tales of Snow White and the Four Dwarves (because four is plenty, thank you!), and Grumplegrapeskin and all the rest of the wacky characters in this charming and enchanting play packed with five tales that will really crack you up!

JUNIOR HIGH DRAMA



Join the JH Drama Tuesday December 5th 6:30p.m. Big Sandy Schools in the small gym

for the production of "Fairy Tale Misfits" by Jeff Fluharty, (produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Denver, Colorado.)

When a mysterious talking groundhog steals young Ellie's homework, she takes off down a hole after it and finds herself in a place where nothing is as it seems — the Land of Rejected Fairy Tale

Characters. Here, Ellie meets a crazy assortment of misfits who were cut from the fairy tales we all know and love. There's her shadow-fearing sidekick, Groundhog; Mac, the eighth and world's largest dwarf; Jacqueline, the great Giant Slayer armed with a magic polka-playing accordion; and more — Indecisive Goldilocks, Sleepless Beauty, Little Red Robin Hood, Fairy Godfather, and even Big Bad Platypus. Groundhog and the rest of the misfits make a deal to help Ellie find her way back home if, in return, she writes them into stories that can be

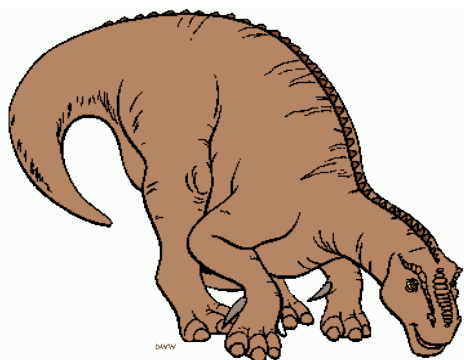
shared with others. But Queen White-Out and her eraser minions, Pink Pearl and Big Mistake, have other plans. Will the misfits be erased forever, or will they find their own happily ever after? Bursting with quirky humor and featuring a large cast of whimsical and endearing characters, Fairy Tale Misfits fits the bill for a large cast of young actors looking to deliver big laughs.

JH HIGHLIGHT





DINOSAURS ARE TAKING OVER THE LIBRARY!



DINovember is finally here! We are excited to have our very first Dino Month at the Simla Pines Plains Library.

We will be learning, exploring and identifying all we can about the different Dinosaurs that existed thousands of years ago.

Story time is every Tuesday at 11:30am plus we have Stem every Monday at 12:00pm.

We will be having a teen activity once a month starting November 10, 2023 @ 4:30pm.

The Fourth Friday of every month we have a movie night starting at 5:30pm please follow our Facebook page @ Pines & plains libraries for the movie title of the month. Story time is every Tuesdays at 11:30am plus we have Stem every Monday at 12:00pm. We will be having a teen activity once a month starting November 10, 2023 @ 4:30pm. The Fourth Friday of every month we have a movie night starting at 5:30pm please follow our Facebook page @ Pines & plains libraries for the movie title of the month.

November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 DINOVENBER	2	3	4
5	6 STEM 12PM No Stem	7 Storytime 11:30AM Dinosaur expert/Dino Make a Fossil	8	9	10 Teen Night Tick tac toe golf 4:30	11
12	13 STEM 12PM No Stem	14 Storytime 11:30AM How to catch a Dinosaur Dino Scavenger Hunt Paint a Dinosaur	15	16	17	18
19	20 STEM 12PM Make a Dinosaur fossil	21 Storytime 11:30AM Patrick the Dinosaur extract a fossil	22	23	24 movie night 5:30 Ice Age Dawn of the Dinosaur Hot dogs/ popcorn	25
26	27 STEM 12PM Dino Eggs	28 Storytime 11:30AM Dinosaur farm Paint a Dino mask	29	30	1	2
3	4 STEM 12PM DIY					

We hope to see all of your smiling faces at the library and wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

2024 YEARBOOK ORDERING IS LIVE!



Hey there, high schoolers! Time to put down your emoji-laden smartphones and listen up because we've got a yearbook situation on our hands. You see, ordering a yearbook ASAP is like securing a ticket to a nostalgia rollercoaster, and trust me, you won't want to miss that ride. Sure, you might think you'll remember every awkward cafeteria encounter and epic football game moment, but alas, memory tends to fade faster than last season's fashion trends.

So, here's the deal: get your paws on that yearbook before you're haunted by the ghost of teenage hairstyles past. And don't even

think about relying on Instagram to capture all those precious memories. The yearbook is the real OG when it comes to preserving the moments that'll make you smile, cringe, and wonder what on earth possessed you to wear that outfit on picture day. So, fellow teens, don't procrastinate, lest you be doomed to a future filled with hazy recollections and regret-filled sighs. Order that yearbook pronto, and let the memories live on in gloriously printed, ink-on-paper perfection! #MEMORIESMATTER

2024 YEARBOOK



The Big Sandy yearbook captures today's memories to enjoy for a lifetime.
Don't miss out — reserve your copy today!

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MONDAY-FRIDAY

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Its Playoffs BEARCUBS!

Come cheer on your volleyball and football teams as they take it all the way!

Check out the We Are Simla FB page for playoff games and times!

Simla High School NHS Presents

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

October 25- November 14

The Simla High School National Honor Society
would like to present Operation Christmas Child.

Operation Christmas Child is a project of
Samaritan's Purse

that gives people a chance to give to children in need
across the world. We ask that, if you are able, to
donate new (NOT USED) toys, hygiene items, school
supplies, and fun gifts. If you are not able to donate
items, monetary donations are also accepted for NHS
to shop for items.

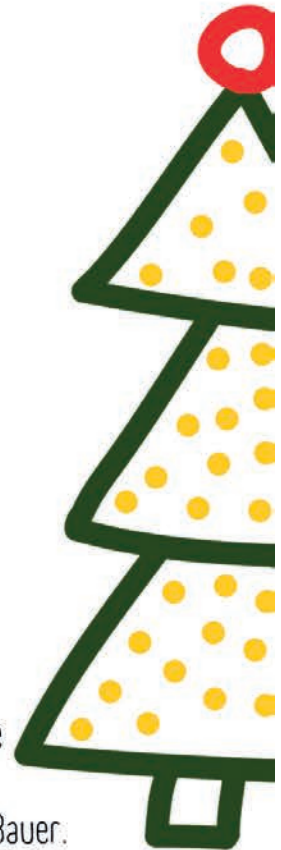
Gifts and monetary donations are due to the school
or student's teacher by November 14, 2023.

Boxes will be packed by NHS members and sent off before
Thanksgiving Break.

If there are any questions, please ask any NHS member or Mrs. Bauer.

You can also visit <https://occ.samaritanspurse.org.au/> for
additional information.

Thank you for your donations! We can't wait to see what a difference we
can make around the world!





Shoebox Gift Suggestions

Girl

A "WOW" ITEM

- Doll
- Large toy
- Soccer ball and pump
- Stuffed animal
- Musical instrument



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb or brush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Fun adhesive bandages
- Eating utensils
- Nail clipper and file



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils and sharpener
- Pencil case
- Erasers
- Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Index cards
- Calculator
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Small adhesive tape



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Clothing and undergarments
- Flip-flops or shoes
- Cold weather items
- Sunglasses
- Bags, backpacks, or purses
- Hair accessories
- Hats
- Wristwatch or jewelry
- Flashlight



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Puzzles
- Binoculars
- Compass
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Fishing kit
- Jump rope
- Coloring books or pads
- Dry watercolor set
- Playdough
- Stickers
- Craft kits or colorful rope/twine
- Books or picture books



TOYS

- Ball
- Frisbee®
- Building blocks
- Finger puppets
- Slinky®
- Yo-yo
- Magnets
- Kaleidoscope
- Interactive toys
- Other small toys and figures



DO NOT INCLUDE

- Food, candy, or gum
- Toothpaste
- Used or damaged items
- Scary or war-related items
- Wearable traditional camouflage
- Seeds or organic matter
- Liquids
- Medication
- Money
- Breakable items
- Matches, fire starters, or aerosols
- Knife, saw, or razor blades



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TJ Eurich avoiding a tackle





LUNCH

NOVEMBER 2023

Big Sandy 100J

This Institution is an
Equal Opportunity provider
Menu subject to change

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

Breakfast Burritos

Green chili w/ Pork
Carrots, Fruit cup
Cheese, Salad Bar
Milk

6

Tater tot Casserole

Green Beans, Dinner roll
Salad Bar, Fruit
Milk

7

Spaghetti w/ meat Sauce

Cheesy Bread stick
Lettuce, Fruit
Salad Bar
Milk

8

Hamburger

Lettuce/ Tomato
Chips, Baked Beans
Salad Bar, Fruit
Milk

9

No School

10

Chicken Ala King

Biscuits
Corn, Salad Bar
Apple Salad, Brownie
Milk

14

Sloppy Joe

Tater Tots, Carrots
Fruit, Salad bar
Milk

15

Turkey

Whipped potatoes w/Gravy
Stuffing, Green beans
Dinner Roll, Pumpkin Pie
Milk

16

Chicken Patty Sandwich

Chips, Cookie
Fruit, Milk

17

Break

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Break

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Break

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Break

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27

Orange Chicken
Rice, Noodles
Mixed Vegetables
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

28

Chili, crackers
Cinnamon Rolls
Lettuce/ Cheese
Salad bar, Fruit
Milk

29

Chicken Strips
Mac and Cheese
Green Beans, Bread slice
Salad Bar, Fruit
Milk

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'FITS 2023

Our junior high athletes dress to impress on game day!!

JUNIOR HIGH



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FOOTBALL



lucky game day



JH
VOLLEYBALL



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FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

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As a friendly reminder the state of Colorado requires that all students be current with all required vaccinations OR have a current immunization exemption on file at the school. If you have not yet done so, please provide an up-to-date immunization record or current exemption to the school as soon as possible. I will start sending out letters in November to those who do not have an up-to-date immunization record or current exemptions on file.

My goal is to have all of this information collected by December 12th, 2023. Please provide a current immunization record or exemption to the school prior to this date.

Please read the following information for details and requirements to be considered compliant with the state immunization requirements.

Immunizations:

Required and recommended vaccines

- Colorado law requires students who attend a public, private, or parochial kindergarten - 12th grade school to be vaccinated against many of the diseases vaccines can prevent, unless an exemption is filed. For more information, visit colorado.gov/cdphe/schoolrequiredvaccines (or cdphe.colorado.gov/schoolrequiredvaccines).

Your student must be vaccinated against:

1. diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis (DTaP, DTP, Tdap)
 2. polio (IPV)
 3. measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
 4. hepatitis B (HepB)
 5. varicella (chickenpox)
- Colorado follows recommendations set by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. Students entering kindergarten must receive their final doses of DTaP, IPV, MMR and varicella. Students entering 6th grade must receive one dose of Tdap vaccine, even if they are under 11 years of age. You can view recommended vaccine schedules for children 0-6 years of age at cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/downloads/parent-ver-sch-0-6yrs.pdf and preteens/teens 7 - 18 years of age at cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/teen/parent-version-schedule-7-18yrs.pdf.
 - Vaccines are recommended for hepatitis A, influenza, meningococcal disease and human papillomavirus, but are not required.

Exclusion from school:

- Your student may be excluded from school if your school does not have an up-to-date vaccine record, exemption, or in-process plan for your student on file.
- If someone gets sick with a vaccine-preventable disease or there is an outbreak at your student's school and your student has not received the vaccine for that disease, they may be excluded from school activities. That could mean lost learning time for them and lost work and wages for you. For example, if your student has not received a measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine, they may be excluded from school for 21 days after someone gets sick with measles. (<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/school-resources>)

For the full 2023-2024 parent letter from CDPHE go to:
2023-24_ParentLetter_School K-12th_fillable (1).pdf

Immunization Exemption Process:

From 2023-2024 CDPHE parent letter:

- If your student cannot get vaccines because of medical reasons, you must submit a Certificate of Medical Exemption to your school, signed by a health care provider licensed to give vaccines. You only need to submit this certificate once, unless your student's information or school changes. You can get the form at cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions.
- If you choose not to have your student vaccinated according to the current recommended schedule because of personal belief or religious reasons, you must submit a Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption to your school.

Nonmedical exemptions must be submitted annually at every new school year (July 1 through June 30th of the following year).

There are two ways to file a nonmedical exemption.

- File the Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption WITH a signature from an immunizing provider, OR
- File the Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption received upon the completion of our online education module.

*** IF you do not have the exemption certificate signed by your child's primary care provider you MUST take the ONLINE EDUCATION MODULE found at the below link.

Downloadable certificates and our online education module are available at cdphe.colorado.gov/vaccine-exemptions.