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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### February 1

HS Wrestling -- Stratton Invitational @Stratton

#### February 4

HS Basketball Simla @ Kiowa (JV, V) 4pm

#### Febraury 7-8

HS Wrestling -Regionals @ Rocky Ford

#### Febraury 10

Monday School

#### Febraury 12

Class/ Group Pictures

#### Febraury 13-15

State Wrestling

@ Ball Arena (13-15)

Elementary Valentines Day Parties (13)

#### Februrary 28

HS Basketball Simla @ Calhan (JV, V) 5pm



Kylie Maranville winning the jump ball against Crowley Coutnty

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#### **Student Spotlight**

Myka Smith

Myka is a senior and is now in her second year of Journalism. Myka enjoys editing photos as well as making yearbook designs and spreads. She is involved in multiple extricuriculars including; Future Business Leaders of America, Student Council, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and she is planning on running track. On top of all of her involvement within the school, she maintains a 4.0 GPA. Myka really is the best!

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## TUCKER TIDBITS FOR ELEMENTARY

KATHY TUCKER ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



#### **PRAIRIE VOICES**

On January 15, fourth and fifth grade choir students, under the direction of Miss Trowbridge, joined other schools across the Eastern Plains to attend an all-day musical clinic which culminated in an evening performance for parents and friends. The students sounded amazing!!!





#### **WRITING MONTH**

January was writing month with students being assigned various writing activities. Did you know that writing provides children an avenue to freely express their thoughts and feelings? By putting their emotions into words, children can better understand and process them. Writing also enhances critical thinking and promotes problem solving.

In addition to the benefits mentioned above, all writing month participants who turned in their calendars on time received a snack, prize, and an extra recess. Thanks to everyone who participated!

#### TRUE SPORT GAMES

Our high school True Sport Athletes, sponsored by Mrs. Montague, will be hosting our annual True Sport Games for elementary and junior high students on February 13, 2025. It is rumored that U.S. Olympic Athletes will also be in attendance. This is sure to be a memorable event!

#### **VALENTINES DAY PARTIES**

are just around the corner! All grades, prek-5 th grade, will have their parties on February 13 at 3 p.m. In the preschool, parties will be at 10:30 am and 3:00 pm forpreK students. Thank you to all parents for providing goodies and treats!

#### REMEMBER...

School on Monday, February 10th. No school on Friday, February 14th .



CUBREPORTER **TUCKER TIDBITS** 

#### **CUBS DEN**

The January theme was "Manners Matter". Groups read a book. How do Dinosaurs have Good Manners? and then leaders led a discussion on the importance of using good manners each and every day. Thank you, Mrs. Stanko and Mrs. Townley for organizing this activity.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY** COMMITTEE

Our February meeting will take place on February 11, 2025, at 3 p.m., in the library. Parents and community members, thank you for your continued support and involvement on this committee.

If you have a desire to become more involved in your child's school, come and volunteer your time on our Accountability team!



## READ ACROSS AMERICA

Big Sandy Elementary will, once again, celebrate National Read Across America by having various reading-related activities for the whole week beginning on Tuesday, February 25th and ending on Friday, February 28th. This annual reading event motivates and encourages all children to celebrate reading. Each day will have a different theme and honor different books. The themes are as follows:

Tuesday-- Who am I? -- Dress up as your favorite letter or favorite book character! **Wednesday** -- Wacky Wednesday --Wear your wackiest socks and/or shoes!

**Thursday** -- Book Madness Day -- Dress like your faborite athlete or sport character!

Friday -- American Dream Team (We are America) -- Be proud to be an American! Wear your favorite patriotic clothes!



If the elementary reaches their collective reading goal of 1000 books during the week, then the week will end with a Dr. Seuss birthday celebration complete with "Minute to Win It" games. It is sure to be a fun learning time for all! Parents, you can take advantage of this "Read Across America" week and read with your kids at home too! You may not realize it, but research supports the importance of parents reading aloud to their children, no matter what the age of the child. It's fun to take turns reading...get creative! So.....grab a book, cuddle up, and READ!

#### **PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Would you like to join in the fun with your child and their classmates? We NEED parents to volunteer on Friday, February 28th to run a "Minute to Win It" game at our Read Across America celebration. This will take place at 3 pm in the cafeteria. If you would like to get involved, please email Mrs. Tucker at ktucker@bigsandy100j.org. Thank you for

#### **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

In an effort to ensure student safety, students are not allowed to stay after school unsupervised. If they are at school, then they must be with a parent or staff member. This includes staying after school for ballgames or basketball practice.



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## SECOND SEMESTER PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

will be held on March 6th from 3 to 8 pm. School will be dismissed at 1:30 pm on that day. Please plan to attend and discuss your child's achievement with his/her teacher. Extensive research proves that students achieve more in school when their parents are involved in their education. So...the more involved, the more successful your child will become!

#### **STATE CMAS TESTS 2025**

Our 3rd, 4th and 5 th grade students will take Colorado's statewide assessment for math, language arts/reading, and science. Third, fourth and fifth graders will all take the math and ELA portions of the CMAS test. In addition, fifth graders will take the science CMAS test. This is a great opportunity to display what has been learned throughout the year. While taking the test, students will have the opportunity to earn "effort" points. These points can be used to earn an extra recess, candy bar, and a fun-filled field trip at the beginning of May. Bearcubs, accept the challenge and rock it!

Due to January Writing Month, our **elementary science fair** has been moved to Thursday, March 20, 2025. Information will be sent home soon!

### FEBRUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Annabelle Hinds is our February Student of the Month. She was nominated by her fourth-grade teacher, Ms. Baker. "Annabelle is a delight to have in class! Her positive attitude, attention to detail and strong work ethic show in everything she does. Annabelle works hard every day to be the best she can be! She is VERY deserving of this recognition!" Thank you. Annabelle!



"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty.

It should be offered to them as a precious gift."

-Kate DiCamillo



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#### **COUNSELOR CORNER**

#### CHAD THIEMAN

#### **ALL STUDENTS:**

My counseling office and Mrs. Hoops' counseling office is available any time for students to talk about any issue. Student/counselor conversations are kept confidential unless something is shared that may involve harm to the student or to another person. Encourage your student to stop by our counseling offices if they would like to talk! Mrs. Hoops is working with

our 2nd and 4th graders teaching a "Zones of Regulation" curriculum to help students identify how they are feeling at any given time. She is also teaching the Botvin Life Skills curriculum to our 6th graders along with their classroom teacher, Mrs. Tipton.

Parents – if you would like to stop in and visit about your student, please email me at cthieman@



bigsandy100j.org and we can set up a time to meet. I am also able to recommend private counseling resources from Simla, Limon, Elizabeth, and Colorado Springs as needed. Please contact me if I can help!



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#### **JUNIORS:**

All enrolled juniors will be taking the Colorado SAT digitally on Wednesday, April 16 th. SAT scores are used by some colleges for admissions decisions and by numerous merit-based scholarship organizations. All juniors have a chance to complete the writing portion (essay) of the assessment. It is not necessary to complete the writing portion but it is a free option. The SAT with Essay will take approximately 1 hour longer than the SAT. If your junior would like to take the SAT with Essay, they have until mid-February to work with me on updating their registration. More information about this process will be given to each junior before the deadline. If the student does not add the essay option to their registration, then they will take the regular SAT without essay (which is my recommendation). The ACT is still offered at a variety of test sites around the area on Saturdays. The next ACT test date is April 5 th with a regular registration deadline of February 28th.

The ACT currently costs \$65 per attempt. Go to act. org for more information and to register.

#### FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES:

All enrolled freshmen and sophomores will be taking the Colorado PSAT 9 & Digitally on April 16th . The PSAT results will be used by the State for school accountability purposes and to prepare students for success on the SAT.



#### **SENIORS:**

If you haven't already done so, it's time to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)! Seniors and their parents need to register for a FSA ID. This username and password is required to elec ronically sign the FAFSA. Google "create FSA ID" to learn more about and to create a unique FSA ID. Once you have your FSA ID, go to fafsa.gov to complete your FAFSA. Your actual 2023 income tax information is used to report your financial information and it is pulled automatically from the IRS in the application process. This process is completely free! You are in the wrong place if anything appears about a cost to complete the FAFSA. After your FAFSA has been submitted and processed: "you'll receive an email with instructions on how to access an online copy of your FAFSA Submission Summary-an electronic or paper document that summarizes

the information you reported on your FAFSA form. It includes your estimated eligibility for a Federal Pell Grant and federal student loans, your Student Aid Index (SAI), and whether you've been selected for verification. The FAFSA Submission Summary replaces the Student Aid Report for the 2024-25 - and following - award year(s)." (accessed: Studentaid.gov; 1/24/2024) The colleges/universities that you listed in your FAFSA application will receive your SAI and will issue you a Financial Aid award offer. That will be posted in your Financial Aid portal for each institution. Check in regularly to see if your award is posted and the next steps in order for you to accept the award offered. When reviewing this information pay close attention to the COA (Cost of Attendance) and then the various awards including any: grants, scholarships, work study, Perkins Loans, Direct Stafford Loans, and Direct Plus Loans (parent loans). When considering Stafford Loans remember that a subsidized loan means that the government pays the interest that accrues on that loan while you are in college. An unsubsidized loan means that you

will be responsible for paying back the interest that accrues on the loan during the time that you were a college student. Stafford loan repayment begins 6 months after you are no longer a full time college student (enrolled in 12 credits). YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ACCEPT LOANS THAT ARE OFFERED. I am glad to look at award letters with you as needed. Students are starting to work in earnest on scholarship applications during Personal/Workforce Readiness (Senior Seminar). Our students are provided information on hundreds of scholarship opportunities. The only sure way to not receive a scholarship is to not apply! We have set aside every Friday through April 15 th as a work day for college scholarships, etc. Check in with your seniors to see if they are using that time to work on scholarship applications. Representatives from Farmers State Bank are again working with our seniors once a week for 9 weeks teaching a variety of financial literacy topics. We appreciate the time and effort given by FSB on behalf of our seniors!

#### **IMPORTANT!**

Make sure that all of your pictures have been submitted to the school for the senior graduation video and the yearbook! Caps & Description where the property of the yearbook of y

There is no option to choose color – that is decided by the senior class and approved by the school administration. The caps and gowns will be mailed directly to the school in time for graduation and, following the ceremony, the caps and gowns are yours to keep. Reminder – all 18-year old men must register for selective service within 30 days of their 18 th birthday. You can register at sss.gov . Don't forget that each senior is given the opportunity for college visits. Seniors may miss 2 days of school for these activities without affecting their attendance for the year. Mr. Thieman has forms to be completed if a student is going on a job shadow or a college visit. I highly recommend that you step foot on campus if you are seriously considering being a student there! Parents – please feel free to call my office (719-541-2291) any time that I can assist you in the college admission and financial aid processes. A great deal of information about both topics is available online; just remember that it should always be free!



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# SECONDARY PRINCIPAL NOTES:

#### SAMMI SWENNES

#### ATTENDANCE REMINDER

It is the belief of the Big Sandy School District that students who attend school regularly learn more and are more successful. Doing the assignment for the day, can never completely make- up for the learning that is missed during an absence from school. As a parent, you can help Big Sandy and your student by assuring their regular attendance each day. If it is necessary for your child to be absent, please contact the office at 541-2291. Absences that are not reported are automatically considered unexcused and can carry both attendance and academic consequences. As we begin a new semester, review the teacher expectations with your child and revisit your student handbook for clarification of the attendance policy.

Here are three ideas to help your son/daughter make the most of his/her educational experience:

- 1. Limit late-night work hours to the weekend;
- 2. Make sure your student has a loud alarm clock; and
- 3. Stress why he/she needs to get to school on time.

An employer will not let him/her show up whenever he/she feels like it. Students are allowed 8 excused absences (only 2 unexcused absences) per semester, and many students have exceeded that number from the first semester. 16 excused absences are allowed for the entire school year. When your student goes over the 8 absences for the semester or 16 absences for the year a Monday school or multiple Monday schools may be a consequence that is enforced. After 16 absences in the school year, the student and parents may be required to appear before the Big Sandy Board of Education. If your child has more than 16 absences (excused and/or unexcused) you may be invited to the April board meeting. The School Board reserves the right to allow academic sanctions, loss of credit, or other suitable measures for violations of the district's attendance policy.

We encourage students to be in school, but with all the craziness again this year we also encourage students to stay home this year when they are not feeling well.

#### PARENTS...

you have done an outstanding job this year keeping your kids home when they have been sick or having any sickness symptoms, and we appreciate that! I believe that is one of the reasons that we have been able to stay in school with in person learning again this year. Please contact your child's teachers for missing work, how to make participation points and any questions that may arise from your child's absence.



#### **NHS GUIDELINES**

Students having a 3.5 GPA after the second semester of their sophomore year are considered for membership by a faculty committee. The committee also looks at a student's character, leadership abilities, and community service. Applications will be given to students, and we will begin the student interview process in the near future.

#### **WE ARE SIMLA**

Don't forget to follow We Are Simla on Facebook to stay up to date with updates from the secondary school. School Closures and delays are posted on this page, as well as athletic schedule changes and updates. 11 CUBREPORTER SECONDARY PRINCIPAL NOTES

#### HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

The wrestling team is off to a great start this season! We have 7 wrestlers working hard to compete at the Regional Wrestling tournament coming up on February 7 th & Damp; 8 th in Rocky Ford.

#### HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Congratulations to our High School Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys for winning the Limon Basketball Tournament that was hosted in December.

#### JH BASKETBALL

Great season to our junior high boys team this year they finished the seaon 4-4 and had a ton of improvement throughout the year. Congratulations to our junior high girls team for their undefeated regular season and their finish in the BFL Tournament!



#### **HS MATCHWITS**

The high school Matchwits team with finish their season on January 27 th . If they qualify for Knowledge Bowl on January 25, those results will be posted in the next Cub Reporter.

#### **FBLA**

Good luck to all of our FBLA students that will be participating at the District FBLA meet on February 4! Results from their competition will be posted next month..





## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent teacher conferences will be held on March 6th from 3 – 8 p.m. Secondary Conferences will all be open conferences on a first come first serve basis. We will dismiss school early that day at 1:30 p.m. You are also welcome to call teachers to conference if you are unable to attend.

## END OF THE DAY PHONE CALLS

Please try to call before 3:30 p.m. if you are trying to get a message to your child by the end of the day. This is especially important for junior high students. Junior high has PE last hour of the day, and if we receive a call right before 4:00 p.m., the office sometimes is unable to relay that message in the transition after PE class. The earlier the phone call, the more time we have to relay the message.

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## WHOS MOST LIKELY TO Junior High Edition Designed By Anna Kerst



Who's most likely to become a billionaire? Brynlee Amendt



Who's most likely to be a rancher? Kayson Frihauf



Shayne Easler



Who's most likely to become an actress? Who's most likely to graduate with a perfect GPA? Kinlee Cox

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Our district wide attendance rate for the first semester was over 97% which is great! After using several "snow" days, our secondary schools utilized an E-Learning Day on our last bad weather day, which we also had very good attendance.

#### **CONGRATS**

Congratulations to the Junior High boys' and girls' basketball teams as they both had good years; congratulations to the girls' team as they won the Black Forest League and League Tournament. We look forward to the Junior High wrestling and matchwits seasons starting soon. Good job to the choirs and band for their recent performances.

The board is now screening the superintendent applicants and will be scheduling interviews soon.



## SUPERINTENDENT BOARD NOTES

STEVE WILSON



#### **WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL, 2025**

January was Colorado School Board Recognition Month; thank you board members for your work for all of us. Chad Maranville, Greg Mitchell, Judy Book, Hank Smith and Curtis Stanko. Thank you board members for volunteering for an important, time consuming job that highly benefits our community! Overall, we had a good first semester with student learning and extracurricular activities.

#### **BUDGET**

The Governor has made revisions to his Preliminary Budget that was introduced in November. He proposes to cut the enrollment averaging component in school finance which will take money away fromschools in order to help balance the state budget. The legislative session will take the current Governor's Budget as a starting point and then will be working on it throughout the legislative session, which startedin January and runs until May.

Last month we approved the school's final budget for this current 2024-2025 school year. We also passed the current mill levy which is lower than last year. After amending our bond agreement three years ago and being able to cut the interest rate in half, we continue to have lower payments for the final seven years of our "mortgage." (Hard to believe we have already paid off 13 years towards our "new" school building...this is our 12 th year being in it)







Advancing Colorado's health and protecting the places we live, learn, work and play

Dear families of students attending Colorado kindergarten through 12th grade schools for the 2025-26 school year: This letter includes important information about Colorado's school vaccine requirements, as well as other resources. There's nothing more important than making sure your child or children stay healthy and learning all year long. Getting vaccinated gives children and adolescents the best chance of staying healthy and in school.

Colorado law requires students who attend school to be vaccinated against many of the diseases vaccines can protect against, unless a Certificate of Exemption is filed. For more information, visit <a href="https://cdphe.colorado.gov/immunization-policy-and-board-health-rules">https://cdphe.colorado.gov/immunization-policy-and-board-health-rules</a>. Before a student's first day of school, families are responsible for providing an up-to-date immunization record, an in-process plan, or a Certificate of Exemption to each school the student attends. An in-process plan is written by your student's immunizing provider and shows that your student is following the ACIP schedule to catch up on missing dose(s) of one or more school-required vaccines.

Getting vaccinated and following the recommended schedule is important. Think of vaccines as a special training program for the body, teaching it how to fight off harmful germs. The protection from vaccines can last a very long time, which helps to keep your child, your family, and your community safe and healthy.

#### Vaccines required for school

To attend school, your student must be vaccinated against:

- Hepatitis B (HepB)
- Diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP, Tdap)
- Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR)
- Polio (IPV)
- Varicella (chickenpox)

Get kindergarten ready: Colorado law requires children between the ages of 4 and 6 years to receive their final doses of DTaP, IPV, MMR, and varicella before kindergarten entry.

**Get sixth-grade ready:** Colorado law requires adolescents to receive one dose of Tdap **before** sixth-grade entry, even if the student is 10 years old.

#### Number of doses and spacing of vaccines:

Colorado follows recommendations set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's <u>Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices</u>. This committee is a group of medical and public health experts who study vaccines and recommend them for the public. View recommended vaccine schedules for children birth through 6 years of age at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/child-easyread.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/child-easyread.html</a> and children/adolescents 7-18 years of age at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/adolescent-easyread.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-schedules/adolescent-easyread.html</a>.

#### Vaccines that are not required for school but are recommended include:

COVID-19, hepatitis A (HepA), human papillomavirus (HPV), influenza (flu), and meningococcal disease (MenACWY and MenB). The timing and spacing of these vaccines also follow the recommended vaccine schedules for <u>children</u> birth through 6 years and <u>children/adolescents 7-18 years of age</u>.

#### Vaccination records

Share your student's updated Certificate of Immunization with their school every time they receive a vaccine. Need to find your student's vaccine record? Visit COVaxRecords.org for more information.

#### **Exclusion from school**

If there is an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease at your student's school, and your student has not received the vaccine for that disease, they may be excluded from school for many days. That could mean lost learning time for them and lost work and wages for you. For example, if your student is not up to date with their MMR vaccines, they may need to stay home from school for 21 days after someone gets sick with measles.

#### Exemptions from one or more school-required vaccines

If your student cannot get vaccines for <u>medical reasons</u>, you must submit a Certificate of Medical Exemption to your school. If you choose not to have your student vaccinated for nonmedical reasons, you must submit a Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption to your school. Nonmedical exemptions must be submitted on an annual basis. Find more information about exemptions at <a href="https://cdphe.colorado.gov/exemptions-to-school-required-vaccines">https://cdphe.colorado.gov/exemptions-to-school-required-vaccines</a>.

Have questions?

Talk with a health care provider or your local public health agency to ask questions and find out which vaccines your student needs. Find a vaccine provider at <a href="mailto:cdphe.colorado.gov/get-vaccinated">cdphe.colorado.gov/get-vaccinated</a>. Read about the benefits and importance of vaccines at <a href="mailto:cdc.gov/vaccines-children/about/index.html">cdc.gov/vaccines-children/about/index.html</a>, <a href="mailto:childvaccineco.org">childvaccineco.org</a>, ImmunizeForGood.com, and <a href="mailto:cdphe.colorado.gov/immunization-education">cdphe.colorado.gov/immunization-education</a>.

Staying up to date on routine immunizations is important for adults as well as children. It's never too late for adults to get back on track! Learn more at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines-adults/recommended-vaccines/">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines-adults/recommended-vaccines/</a>.

#### Finding and paying for vaccinations

If you need help finding free or low-cost vaccines, go to <u>COVax4Kids.org</u>, <u>https://cdphe.colorado.gov/immunizations/get-vaccinated</u>, or dial <u>2-1-1</u> for information on Health First Colorado (Medicaid) and vaccine clinics in your area.

How is your school doing on vaccinations?

Annually, schools and child cares must report immunization and exemption numbers (but not student names or birthdates) to the state health department. Schools do not control their specific immunization and exemption rates or establish the Vaccinated Children Standard of 95% for all school-required vaccines, described in §25-4-911, CRS.

Your child's school's immunization rates from the 2023-24 school year. (Find 2023-24 school year and prior years' data at COVaxRates.org).

School name	2023-24 MMR immunization rate (required)	2023-24 MMR exemption rate (required)
Simla Elementary School	88.7%	9.7%

Schools may choose to include rates for other school-required vaccines below.

2023-24 HepB immunization rate	2023-24 HepB exemption rate
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2023-24 DTaP	2023-24 DTaP
immunization rate	exemption rate
2023-24 Tdap	2023-24 Tdap
immunization rate	exemption rate

2023-24 IPV	2023-24 IPV
immunization rate	exemption rate
2023-24 varicella	2023-24 varicella
immunization rate	exemption rate

	Schoo	l name	2023-24 MMP immunization rate	2022	2.74 MMP exemption rate
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School name	2023-24 MMR immunization rate (required)	2023-24 MMR exemption rate (required)
Simla Junior High	94.9%	5.1%

Schools may choose to include rates for other school-required vaccines below.

2023-24 HepB	2023-24 HepB exemption rate
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2023-24 DTaP	2023-24 DTaP
immunization rate	exemption rate
2023-24 Tdap	2023-24 Tdap
immunization rate	exemption rate

exemption rate
2023-24 varicella exemption rate

School name	2023-24 MMR immunization rate (required)	2023-24 MMR exemption rate (required)
Simla High School	93.7%	5.3%

Schools may choose to include rates for other school-required vaccines below.

2023-24 HepB immunization rate	2023-24 HepB exemption rate
2023-24 DTaP	2023-24 DTaP
immunization rate	exemption rate
2023-24 Tdap	2023-24 Tdap
immunization rate	exemption rate

2023-24 IPV	2023-24 IPV
immunization rate	exemption rate
2023-24 varicella	2023-24 varicella
immunization rate	exemption rate

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# 2025 YEARBOOK ORDERING PARTIES 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

The Big Sandy yearbook captures today's memories to enjoy for a lifetime.

Don't miss out — reserve your copy today!

#### WAYS TO ORDER:







ONLINE JOSTENSYEARBOOKS.COM

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CALL 1.877.767.5217 8AM-5PM CST

## ORDER ONLINE OR PICK UP AN ORDER FORM FROM THE JOURNALISM STAFF TODAY!

The journalism staff is putting on a valentines photo schoot again this year! If you want pictures taken of you and your friends join us at lunch on February 11th!





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Strawberries are Red, Blue Berries are Blue They sure are sweet and Healthy to. HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! 20 CUBREPORTER STUDENT TRAVEL GUIDE

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Students share their favorite trips from over the summers, with the perfect snacks to go along



"I would say my fav would be pringles because they are easy to transport and make less of a mess than a normal chip bag."

MADI TOWNLEY



"My favorite snack is dill pickle seeds because they have a good flavor and taste really good

- LOGAN RAYFI

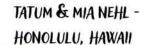
"I'd probably say my favorite snack is like trail mix with m&ms because it kinda has everything in it."

- AYDEN LALLY



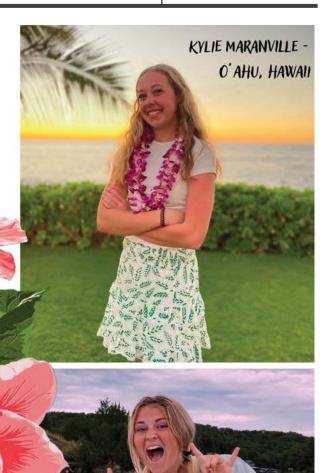
"I'd probably say like pretzels because they taste good and they're better than chips and I like the saltiness and stuff."

- AUSTIN HINDS





AUBREY LAYTON -ORLANDO, FLORIDA





MORGAN SWENNES - LAKE

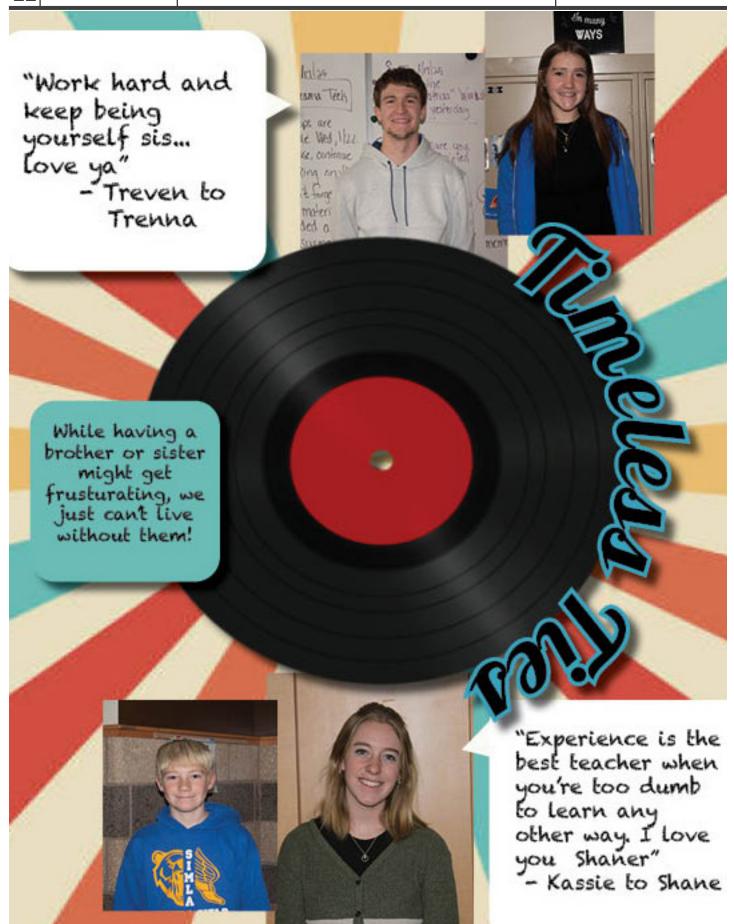
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