



# CUB REPORTER

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The Senior Class wrote wishes on balloons and released them into the sky at the Painted Skies Prom



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 1**  
Junior High Dance

**May 6-7**  
(6th)Muffins with Mom  
6th Grade Overnight  
Industrial Arts Fair

**May 8**  
Elementary Field Day  
Elementary Talent Show  
Band & Choir Elitches Trip

**May 10**  
Mothers Day

**May 11**  
Monday School  
Elementary Community  
Service Project

**May 12**  
Decision Day

**May 13**  
Kindergarten Graduation  
Junior High Incentive

**May 14-16**  
State Baseball  
State Track

**May 19**  
Kindergarten Roundup  
1/3/4 Grade Field Trips

**May 20**  
Last Day of School for Elementary  
Elementary Awards  
5th Grade Graduation Party  
8th Grade Graduation

**May 21**  
Last Day of School for  
Secondary Students  
Secondary Academic  
Awards  
HS Athletic Awards

**May 22**  
Baccalaureate

**May 23**  
Graduation

**PROM**  
*King & Queen*  
Teague Jones &  
Kelsi Harr





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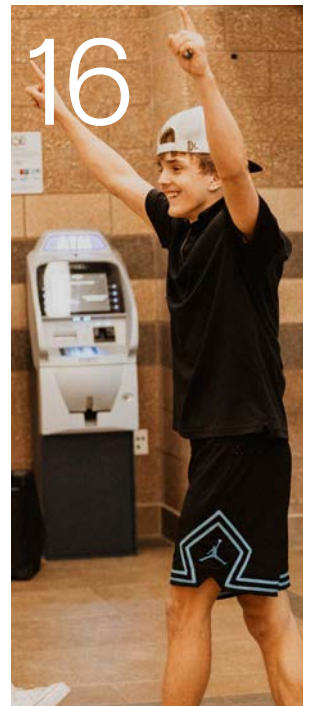
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## 2026 BIG SANDY SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE

This year's traditional Baccalaureate Service will be held on FRIDAY, MAY 22nd AT 7 P.M. A Baccalaureate is a religious service held for a graduating class and includes singing, a graduation message, and prayer for the graduates and their families.

The service begins at 7 p.m. at Matheson Community Bible Church and will be followed by a cake reception. The Baccalaureate is open to all who would like to attend. In order to plan for the reception, Mr. Thieman will be checking with each senior as to whether or not they will be attending and approximately how many guests will accompany them. Invitations will also be mailed to each senior's family. For more information, call Chad Thieman at (719) 659-4079.



**Evan Guy hit a Home Run to score 3 points to win the Simla vs Otis baseball game and clinching an important victory going into Districts this coming week.**

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# TUCKER TIDBITS FOR ELEMENTARY



KATHY TUCKER ELEMENTARY



Cubs Den Red Team lines up to play in the Minute to Win It Games

“Challenge Accepted!” has truly been more than just a theme this year—it’s been the spirit behind everything we’ve done. As we look back, it’s hard not to smile at all we’ve shared together: the laughter that filled our halls, the milestones our students achieved, the challenges we tackled head-on, and yes—even a few tears along the way that helped us grow stronger.

What stands out most is the incredible team behind it all. Our dedicated staff, amazing students, and supportive administration, board, and community have come together to create something special. Day after day, you showed what it means to step up, lean in, and say, “Challenge Accepted!”

Because of all of you, this year didn’t just count—it truly made a difference.

## ON TO 6TH GRADE

As the end of the year continues to approach, it’s almost time to say good-bye to our incredible fifth graders.

They have provided much leadership, laughter, and a legacy for others to follow. Although we will miss them sorely, we look forward to seeing their continued successes as they move on to sixth grade!



## EASTER PARTIES

Thank you, parents, for making these parties memorable for all students!



## APRIL/MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Skylar Weitzel is our April Student of the month, and she was nominated by her teacher, Mrs. Creel. "Skylar has been a wonderful addition to Simla this year! She is sweet, kind, and always willing to help others. Skylar works hard every day and consistently chooses to do the right thing. She is a true model student!" Thank you, Skylar for being a super Bear Cub!



Our May Student of the Month is Willow Blanchette. Willow was chosen by her teacher, Mrs. Lally. She stated that Willow is an extremely hard worker in her class and has made much

## END OF SCHOOL YEAR ACTIVITIES

With the end of the school year upon us, numerous activities and events will be happening which are listed below and on the school website.

## ELEMENTARY STUDENT COUNCIL

It's time again for elementary STUCO elections. Applications have already been passed out to students and are due on May 1st. On Thursday, May 7th, speeches will be presented before elementary students and staff. The leadership team will be elected by a 50% teacher vote and 50% student body vote. Winners will be notified the day after the election.

A great big "thank you" to this year's STUCO leaders. They have all done an amazing job taking care of their elementary duties. We will miss their leadership next year!



## MUFFINS WITH MOM/SONS

Come join us on Wednesday, May 6th, 7 am-7:55 am for our third annual Muffins with Moms/Sons in the cafeteria. We hope to see everyone there!

## ELEMENTARY FIELD DAY

**FRIDAY MAY 8TH**

Kindergarten through 5th grade students will participate in field events at the track in the morning (8:10 a.m.-11:00 a.m.). Parents and/or family members are welcome and encouraged to come and watch their child



participate in these activities. After field events are completed, parents are welcome to join their child for lunch. If you are the parent, relative, or friend of a kindergarten through 5th grade student, you can make a reservation for lunch. Reservation papers have already been sent home. The price of an adult lunch is \$4.00. After completing the form, please send it back, along with your lunch money, to your child's teacher as soon as possible. The last day to turn in your form and money will be May 1, 2026. If we have bad weather that Friday, then field day will be rescheduled to the following Monday, May 11, 2026. After lunch and recess, students will return to normal activities, including specials.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE MONDAY, MAY 11TH

### Big Sandy Elementary Gives Back!!!

**Welcome Spring!**

Join us for our first annual plant give away! We would love for you to come, visit, snack, and choose some plants to take home and build your own garden.

**Our students are excited to share their school grown plants with you!**

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>When?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday, May 11, 2026<br/>School Cafeteria<br/>2:45pm-3:50 pm</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spring into Fun!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">This year's Community Service project brings learning to life! As students explore how plants grow and why giving matters, they will be growing vegetable plants to help support our community gardens.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Types of Plants?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">tomatoes<br/>squash<br/>peas<br/>sweet peppers<br/>cucumbers<br/>jalapeños<br/>green peppers</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sharing is Caring</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cookies, lemonade, and coffee will be served!</p>  |

## KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH**

It's time to celebrate the accomplishments of our youngest Bearcubs while formally welcoming them into the elementary! Kindergarten graduation will be at 6 p.m., in the big gym, with



a short reception following the ceremony. Be sure to bring your camera, and perhaps a box of Kleenex

## ELEMENTARY AWARDS ASSEMBLY

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20TH**

All students, first through fifth grades will be recognized. Parents, friends, and relatives are invited to attend. The fifth grade will have a graduation celebration after the awards ceremony. This will be the elementary's last day of school.

## FIELD TRIPS

As the school year wraps up, it's time for one of the most exciting traditions—field trips! These adventures are a fun way to celebrate all the hard work and success students have shown throughout the year, while also learning in new and engaging environments beyond the classroom.

Field trips are a reward for positive behavior, strong effort, and academic success. Students who have demonstrated these qualities will be invited to attend. If a student is not eligible, teachers will communicate that directly.

For those who are attending, permission slips will be coming home soon. Please sign and return them along with the required payment.

We're looking forward to a fantastic experience—students should come prepared, ready to learn, and most importantly, bring along their best behavior and positive attitudes!

## CLASS LISTS/SUMMER ACTIVITY CALENDAR/BACK TO SCHOOL TESTING/MEETINGS

Report cards will either be sent home on the last day of school or mailed home. All information regarding next year will be included with your child's report card. Please look for this information as it will also include class lists for next year along with scheduled testing times or meetings for the following school year.



## SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School will look a little differently this year. Due to the installation of white boards, interactive boards, and other equipment over the summer, the availability of open rooms for summer school has become minimal. As a result, summer school teachers will be working individually or with small groups periodically over the summer. **If you believe your child would benefit from this summer support, please notify your child's teacher,** and a summer school teacher will contact you in May.

## SUMMER ACTIVITY CALENDAR

This year, we are extending a new challenge for our summer activity. K/1 students will be working on manuscript handwriting, and 2-5 grades will be working on their cursive handwriting. A packet will be sent home with each student. A snack, prize, and an extra recess will be awarded to those who return their handwriting books when school begins. Let's sharpen up those handwriting skills!

## SCHOOL ON MONDAY

Due to the calendar, we WILL HAVE school on Monday, May 11. We will have **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, May 15.

**A BIG "Challenge Accepted!" THANK YOU to the incredible people who make our school shine each and every day:**

- Parents – Thank you for trusting us with your children and for being such strong partners—helping with homework, celebrating at parties, and cheering us on all year long.**
- Teachers – Your passion and**

**dedication are shaping bright futures. You truly bring "Challenge Accepted" to life in your classrooms every day!**

•**Administration – Thank you for creating a positive, supportive environment where both students and staff can thrive.**

•**Mr. Thieman & Mr. Tucker – We appreciate all your hard work organizing and setting up testing—you help keep everything running smoothly!**

•**Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Gentzel, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Bohlander, Mrs. Frihauf & Miss Augen – Thank you for keeping our students safe and supported during recess fun.**

•**Custodial Team – Your behind-the-scenes efforts keep our school clean, welcoming, and ready for learning each day.**

•**Lunch Ladies – Thank you for serving up delicious meals and smiles in the lunchroom!**

•**Bus Drivers – We are so grateful for the care you take in getting our students to and from school safely.**

•**School Board – Thank you for your continued support of our students, staff, and families. It truly takes a team, and this year, together, we showed what it means to step up and say... Challenge Accepted!**

The first happiness of a child is to know that he is loved  
-Don Bosco



Spring Baseball kicked off with the Slmla Blue Team playing the Slmla Gold Team. Both teams met in the infield for prayer after.



Teague and Kelsi are qualified to compete in the FBLA National Leadership Conference this summer in San Antonio, TX!



## state equalifiers

Public Speaking- Rowan Klecker  
 Community Service- Reese Baker & Madison Townley  
 Agribusiness- Kelsi Harr  
 Digital Video Production- Teague Jones  
 Financial Planning- Ava Leininger, Connor Maranville, & Adam Shults  
 Event Planning- Carlee Cox, Brynlee Amendt, & Hayden Pfost  
 Parliamentary Procedure- Ayden Lally, Angel Hernandez, Tatum Kocerha, Tenna Kocerha, & Kinlee Cox





# After GRADUATION!



**Navy**

**Missionary**

**Wichita State**

**West Texas**



# COUNSELOR CORNER

CHAD THIEMAN &  
SHANNON HOOPS



## SENIORS

Graduation is almost here! Our seniors are excited and ready to see what their futures hold. There are still scholarship applications due in May, so be sure to check all deadlines carefully.

Each senior will receive an envelope containing important documents, including cumulative file data, official transcripts, and immunization records. Please keep copies of your transcript and immunization records, as they will be needed in the future. The school will retain a permanent copy of these records as well.

Note: Diplomas are not kept on file—your official transcript serves as proof of graduation from Simla High School.

At the end of the semester, official high school transcripts will be sent to colleges for all seniors who have indicated their post-secondary plans. Transcripts will also be uploaded to the NCAA Eligibility Center for student-athletes. No action is required from students for this process.

If you have taken college credit courses during high school, you must request official transcripts directly from the college where the course was taken. The high school cannot request or send these on your behalf. Be aware that fees may apply. Start by visiting the college's website and searching "request transcript."

## JUNIORS

Juniors completed the digital SAT on April 15. Scores will be available in May through their College Board accounts. Students who wish to improve their scores should consider retaking the SAT this fall at a national test site. Visit [sat.org](http://sat.org) for details on test dates and locations.

Some students may find the ACT to be a better fit. Visit [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org) for more information.

Summer is a great time to build community service experience—something colleges



and scholarship committees value highly. Local opportunities include volunteering at the Thrift Store, CrossRoads, the library, youth baseball programs, and more. Consider where you can make an impact this summer.

Students should also begin organizing portfolios for scholarship applications. Keep records of awards, honors, and community service activities to make senior year applications easier.

## SOPHOMORES

Sophomores took the digital PSAT 10 on April 15. Scores will be available in May through College Board accounts. This assessment also serves as valuable preparation for students considering the National Merit Scholarship, which uses PSAT scores from the fall of junior year as a qualifier.

## FRESHMEN

Freshmen completed the digital PSAT 9 on April 15. Scores will be released in May through College Board accounts. This early exposure provides excellent preparation for future PSAT and SAT testing.

## ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS

Pre-registration for next year's courses will begin in early May for

students in grades 5–11. Mr. Thieman will meet with each grade level and distribute scheduling forms. Parent approval is required for all course selections. Graduation Requirements (1 year = 2 semesters)

- 4 years English
- 3 years Math (minimum: Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II)
- 3 years Science (minimum: Physical Science, Biology, plus one additional science)
- 3 years Social Studies (minimum: Civics/Economics, U.S. History, World History)
- 1 year Computer Science
- 1 year Physical Education
- 1 year Personal & Workforce Readiness (Senior Seminar)
- 11 elective credits
- 27 total credits required

Students must also demonstrate readiness in English and Math through standardized test scores or by passing the senior capstone project. This requirement is reported to the state, and support will be provided to ensure all students meet the standard.

Additional Notes:

- Foreign language is not required for graduation but is strongly recom-

mended for college admission

- Algebra I taken in 8th grade does not count toward high school graduation credit—reliable information should always be free.

## COLLEGE COURSE OPPORTUNITIES

- Extended-study college courses are available at the school through:

- Mrs. Montague (English Composition)

- Mr. Lund (History)

- Mrs. Paintin (History)

Additional online options, including College Algebra and College Statistics, are offered through community college partnerships and Colorado Digital Learning Solutions. Some courses may require minimum SAT scores or Accuplacer placement.

Students are responsible for reimbursing the school if they:

- Earn below a college-grade D

- Do not complete the course

- Miss the official drop deadline

Only juniors and seniors may enroll in online courses, which cost \$250 per semester. Enrollment requires approval and is based on readiness for independent learning.

Online Course Guidelines (2026–2027):

1. Students who previously failed an online course may not enroll in another.
2. If a course is offered in the regular schedule without conflict, online enrollment is generally not allowed.
3. Students may take a maximum of two non-college credit online courses per semester.
4. Individual circumstances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Failure to complete or pay for online courses may result in withheld diplomas until obligations are met.

## ELEMENTARY

Elementary counseling lessons have concluded for the school year. Thank you to Mrs. Hoops for her dedication to supporting our students' academic and personal growth. We look forward to continuing this work next year!



## CMAS STUDENT REPORTS

Families can access CMAS reports through the Family Portal at: <https://familyportal.pearson.com/CO>

Reports will be available at the end of May. You will need your student's SASID to log in, which can be found in Infinite Campus. Reports can be viewed, downloaded, and printed, and are available in both English and Spanish along with helpful explanatory resources.

As always, if Mrs. Hoops or I can assist you or your student, please contact us at 719-541-2291. Wishing everyone a strong finish to the school year and a wonderful, well-deserved summer!



# SECONDARY PRINCIPAL NOTES:

SAMMI SWENNES

## STUDENT HONORS

### High School Track & Baseball

Congratulations to both our track and baseball teams for great spring seasons so far. Both teams will be competing in May to qualify for the post season.

### State FBLA

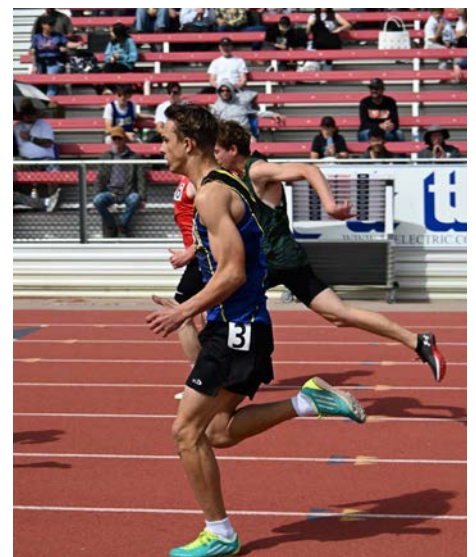
Congratulations to all the students who attended State FBLA.

### Daniels Fund Scholarship

Congratulations to Teague Jones for being selected as a Daniels Fund Scholarship Recipient for 2026. The scholarship is a full ride scholarship to a college of her choosing. He will be attending the Wichita State University in the fall.

### Safe2Tell Student Ambassadors

Congratulations to Reese Baker and Madison Townley who were a Safe2Tell Student Ambassadors for the State of Colorado. They presented their project to the Attorney General of Colorado, the Assistant Attorney General, Safe2Tell Staff and student ambassadors and their families.



## SUMMER SCHOOL

Big Sandy students are required to meet high, academic standards. Sometimes we have to go beyond the regular school year to catch up with expectations. For a high school student looking to regain credits or a junior high student needing to pass a course to advance to the next grade, he/she can take an on-line class through Colorado Digital Learning Solutions. The summer school session runs early June through the end of July, and after completion this would be for a semester credit. The cost of these courses are \$100 - \$150 (prices can change). You can register for courses at: [www.coloradodls.org](http://www.coloradodls.org). At this time we do not offer summer school for junior high or high school students at the school. There are other options available for summer school, but would first need to be approved by Mr. Thieman or Mrs. Swennes before credit would be accepted from another source.

## PROM

This year's prom, 'Painted Skies', was another amazing experience for our high school students. Congratulations to the Prom Royalty court of or queen candidates. King Candidates were Gavin Hodgson, Ayden Lally and Teague Jones. This year's queen candidates were Kelsi Harr, Rowan Klecker.



## 8TH GRADE PROMOTION

The 8th grade promotion will be on Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00 p.m. in the main gym. The 8th grade students will not have to attend school on May 21st, their last day will be on May 20th.

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

The commencement ceremony for the Graduating Class of 2026 will be on May 23rd at 10:00 a.m. The senior's last day of school is May 14th.

## DRESS CODE REMINDER

Warmer weather means shedding the coats and jeans and adorning clothing more suitable to summer-like conditions. Please be mindful of the dress code found in your Student Handbook. Some things noted in the dress code that could be potential temptations include midriff shirts or other tight or low-cut clothing, sunglasses, shorts shorter than fingertip length, pajama bottoms, and tank tops or other similar clothing with straps narrower than 1.5 inches in width. Thank you for your attention in monitoring these items in the past. We have had a successful year, primarily because everyone has been so compliant with the dress code.



## 2026-2027 CLASS REGISTRATION

We will begin registration for next school year. For those students returning to Big Sandy Schools, a draft of the 2026-27 Master Schedule and a form to enter first and second class choices will be sent home. Students are to have parent's signature when returning the form to Mr. Thieman. In coordination with this event, we will hold a freshman orientation for 8th grade students. In this orientation, we will outline high school graduation requirements, encourage students to become actively involved in extracurricular activities, promote leadership opportunities, and stress the importance of good study habits and positive choices. If you have questions pertaining to pre-registration and/or freshman orientation, please contact Mr. Thieman or Mrs. Swennes.



## ACADEMIC AWARDS

This year's academic awards will be held in the Big Gym on May 21st from 1:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. All students will be dismissed to the gym at that time. Parents are welcome to attend. Students will be recognized with various awards from teachers and we will also be holding our BIG honor roll and attendance prize drawings. Students who were on the Honor Roll for the first 3 quarters of school will be entered into the drawing. Students will be entered into the attendance drawing for missing 4 or less days for the school year. We will also be holding some other prize drawings during the ceremony. Students must be present to win.



## 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Be sure to look for your Cub Reporter this summer that will have information about the new school year. Such things as bus drop off, parent drop off, student parking, and all other school information will be found in this Cub Reporter.

## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher/Staff Appreciation week is May 5 – May 8. This is a great time to show your child's teacher (s) how much you appreciate the hard work they put in each and every day teaching your child. A kind word or note is always appreciated! This year our Teacher Appreciation is a Road Trip theme.

## INDUSTRIAL ARTS FAIR

The Industrial Arts Fair will be held in Limon on May 6th and May 7th. You will be receiving more information from Mr. Thieman about the fair.

## ATHLETIC AWARDS CEREMONY

We will be having this year Athletic Awards for all high school athletes on Thursday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Big Gym. We will not be having a potluck this year, so just bring yourself and enjoy an evening of celebrating your child's athletic achievements.

## DECISION DAY

This year we will be holding a special ceremony for our seniors called 'Decision Day'. This is to honor students who have made a commitment to continue

their learning journeys by attending a 2- or 4-year college, a vocational or trade school, a certified apprenticeship/internship, religious mission, job training or the military. We are proud of all of our seniors and their choices, but we want to take time to honor those that are continuing their educations in various ways. We invite to you join us to celebrate these seniors on Wednesday, May 12 at 2 p.m. You are invited to wear special gear from you trade or alma mater, or maybe you have a special senior you want to support and wear the gear from their future school, trade or military branch.



## HIGH SCHOOL FINALS

All high school students will be receiving a finals schedule in the coming weeks. High School Finals will be on May 20th and 21st. If they have a scheduled final, they will be required to take that final during their scheduled final time. Junior high finals will be scheduled during their regular class time during the last few weeks of school.

## MONDAY SCHOOL

We will be having school on Monday, May 11th. There will be no school on Friday, May 15th.



## A LITTLE NOTE FROM ME

After many wonderful years, I am deeply grateful to this incredible school community. Serving as a teacher, athletic director, and principal has been a true honor.

Our students have been a constant source of pride and inspiration, and our teachers and staff are what make this place so special. I am proud of all the academic and athletic achievements that our students have made over the years. But I am even more proud of the kind humans that they are growing into. The relationships, memories, and shared commitment to doing what's best for kids will stay with me always and always be what makes Simla such a special place.

Thank you for the opportunity to be part of something so meaningful—blue and gold will always be my favorite colors and LET'S GO CUBS!

# Teacher of the Month

## Month

Get to know our 1st grade teacher, ELL Director, & Winter high school cheer coach.. Mrs. Creel

CONGRATULATIONS!



**What high school/ college did you attend?**

High school: **Tonganoxie High School, KS**

College: **Adams State University**

**What is your favorite class you have taken?**

**"Morphology"**

**What is a quote you live by?**

**"Keep moving forward!"**

**- Walt Disney**

**What is a fun fact about yourself?**

**"I was a police officer in the Army!"**

**What advice would you give your 16 year old self?**

**"Try not to care so much about what other people think"**



# SUPERINTENDENT BOARD NOTES

## DAVE ROBINSON

Reflecting on my first year at Big Sandy School District, I am finding joy each day. As I continue to grow in my role as your Superintendent, I see that grace and joy abound within the walls of our school. Each day brings something new and challenging; no matter how difficult it may be, you can always find a smiling student or staff member.

### LOOKING BACK

Looking back on an amazing year of activities within the school, let's challenge ourselves not to become stagnant in our growth. I was listening to a podcast by Craig Groeschel discussing how to raise leaders within an organization. In that podcast, he said, "What got you here won't get you there." With our focus on excellence in everything we do, there is always an opportunity to continue moving forward.

### TIME TO READ & WRITE

I encourage all families to set aside time for their students to read and write. Just 20 minutes per day can make a significant difference and help prevent educational loss. On average, students who do no educational work over the summer will lose 17-34% of their gains from the previous year. With just 20 minutes, we can hit the ground running into the 2026-27 school year.

As the Bear Cub family, please let us know how we can support you in this opportunity.



# 2026 YEARBOOK ORDERING IS LIVE!

Get your 2025-2026 Yearbook now before its too late. You can order online by using the QR code or you can fill out an order form with Mrs. Sedlak. gYearbooks are \$55 and can be customized with your name and icons if you order online. The Journalism classes are working to make this the best yearbook yet so don't miss out!



# FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR



**GRACIE GOODEICH  
GRAPE FLAVOR**



**AXEL HOOVER  
VANILLA FLAVOR**



**JALYLY ROSE  
SHERBET**



**E SANASTEVEN  
MINT CHOCOLATE CHIP FLAVOR**

# SCHOOL NURSE

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

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D As the school year comes to a close, it's time to begin preparing for the upcoming year. In  
A the final weeks of school, I will be sending home updated health plans, reminders about  
required immunizations, and notices for parents/guardians to pick up any medications cur-  
rently stored at school. Please keep an eye out for these communications.

T As a reminder, the school website is a helpful resource for your child's health needs. Un-  
E der the "School Nurse" tab, you will find standardized health care plans for asthma, severe  
S allergies and anaphylaxis, and seizures. You can also access the medication administration  
authorization form, which must be completed by your child's healthcare provider if medi-  
cation is needed during the school day. Additionally, the website includes the most current  
state immunization requirements.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out. I'm happy to as-  
sist in any way I can.

## LIBRARY NEWS

JENI MONTAGUE

### Library Book Return Reminder – End of Year

As the end of the school year approaches, please take a moment to check backpacks, bedrooms, and bookshelves for any library books or materials that may be hiding at home! For our PS–K families, all library books and materials are due back by Friday, May 8th.

Please note that no new books will be checked out to PS–K students during the week of May 5th –8th.

All other students have until Thursday, May 14th to return their library books and materials. It is important that all books are returned by these deadlines so Mrs. Montague can begin inventory before summer break. If you have a book that has been lost and needs to be replaced, please take care of those costs by the due date as well. Elementary students do not have overdue fines – however, lost books that must be replaced will need to be paid for.

To help families keep track, overdue notices will be sent home each week for elementary students. Classroom teachers may also reach out as a friendly reminder if we are still searching for missing books.

Getting every book back on the shelf is a team effort, and your cooperation makes a big difference! A huge thank you to all of our readers for a wonderful year of reading. We hope you keep the love of books going strong all summer long!

 LUNCH

**MAY 2026**  
Big Sandy 100J

This Institution is an equal Opportunity provider  
Menu subject to change

| Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   |
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| <br>Grilled cheese sandwich 1<br>Chicken/Tomato soup<br>Celery, Carrots<br>Fruit, Milk | <br>Lasagna<br>Lettuce, Bread stick<br>Salad Bar, Fruit<br>Milk | <br>Chicken Tenders<br>Mac-n-cheese<br>Green beans, Fruit<br>Salad bar, Milk | <br>Tostada<br>Lettuce, Cheese<br>Cinnamon apples<br>Salad bar, Milk | BBQ Chicken sandwich 1<br>Chips, Carrots<br>Fruit, Salad bar<br>Milk |
| 4<br>18<br>25   | 5<br>12<br>19<br>26  | 6<br>13<br>20<br>27   | 7<br>14<br>21<br>28   | 8<br>15<br>22<br>29  |

Stay safe and Have a Great Summer!  
Summertime is always the best of  
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